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WAS NEARLY DROWNED

MICHAEL CRAIG FELL INTO WAMESIT CANAL.

He Was Rescued By Richard Lyons by Means of a Rope.

Michael Craig, aged 39 years, had a narrow escape from drowning last evening. Mr. Craig is employed at the United States Bunting company and last evening he went skating on the Wamesit canal near the factory and broke through the ice. His cries for assistance attracted Richard Lyons who procured a rope and threw it to Craig.

The latter caught hold of the rope and was dragged out.

LOCAL NOTES.

THE BIGGEST assortment of medium priced fancy chairs and rockers is found at A. E. O'Neil & Co.'s two stores, 16 Merrimack and 34 Central streets. Auction sale at Central street store, Thursday at 2 p. m.

Read This.

Fred Britton, 42 Tyler street, Mrs. Ellen Gillen, 147 Market street, Arthur Webster, 46 Hamilton street, are few of those who have used Zyno Mexican Blood tonic and have been greatly benefited by it and pronounce it a remarkable curative remedy. Zyno is free at the office of the company, 32 Central street.

New Licenses Granted.

At the meeting of the board of police last night licenses were granted as follows: Junk collectors, Haiman Lipsitz, 71 Railroad street and Edward Deranlt, 11 John avenue; common victuallers, Ernest Blackburn, 127 Paige street and Eva I. Furbush, 123 Railroad street; Job wagon, Scroghan, 280 Fayette street.

Crushed His Sister's Skull.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—John Ryan, a peddler, murdered his sister, Catherine, last night, by smashing her skull with a baseball bat. After killing her he turned over the stove and set the house on fire. The police believe that Ryan is insane.

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Gold Filled Watches.
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COLONEL PINDAR SUED

HUGH McCORMACK ENTERS ACTION AGAINST COLONEL.

His foreman, John Leland, Also Involved—Plaintiff Holds Them Responsible for Injuries Received—City Solicitor Qua Will Defend the Suit—That Wood Yard Trouble—Extra Wagons Will Be Set to Work—Additional Expense for the Department.

Suit in the sum of $5000 has been entered against Supt. Pindar of the city farm and his foreman, John Leland.

B. D. O'Connell, Esq., brings the suit in behalf of his client, Hugh McCormack. McCormack served a 30 days' sentence at the city farm last July. During his time there McCormack was put to work storing hay in the barn.

There is a dangerous scuttle hole in the barn, and Leland claims he warned McCormack to keep away from that hole. Leland had occasion to leave the barn, and when he returned he learned that McCormack had fallen into the hole and broken his arm.

These facts were reported to the overseers of the poor at their meeting last night by Supt Pindar.

They voted to refer the matter to City Solicitor Qua.

Sec. Courtney informed the overseers that the city wood yard employes cannot deliver the orders for wood and coal as they come in because of the great distance from the city that the wood yard is located.

Several overseers spoke on the matter, and Mr. Gilbride advised relocating the wood yard at its former place. If this is done, he said five loads of wood and coal can be delivered in the time it takes to deliver one load now.

It was finally voted that Supt. Pindar be empowered to put on one or more extra teams to keep up with the orders for coal and wood as they come in.

Supt. Pindar stated that the wood yard cost $3500 less this year than last year.

The overseers then approved bills and adjourned.

Union Market.

Judging from the crowd of people that throng this popular market you would almost think that they are giving poultry away. But that is not so; it is the quality and low prices that bring the crowds. This market was never better stocked than it is this week and the clerks are all old timers at the business. If you are not an expert at selecting a turkey, chicken or goose, they will assist you and if they tell you that it is young, fresh and sweet, you can depend upon it that it is as they say. The price will be all right too, so do not rack your brain trying to find the best and cheapest place to trade, but go at once to the Union Market for big bargains.

Gaudaur Wants a Match.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Jake Gaudaur says he will row either Harding or Barry of England for the world's championship, and $2500 or $5000 a side, on Toronto bay, allowing them $500 for expenses, or he will go to England after Aug. 1 next and row both Harding and Barry for $1250 or $2500 a side, receiving $250 expenses for each race, both races to be rowed within three weeks of each other.

Don't Forget

the auction sale at 2 o'clock at 34 Central street. Fancy chairs, pictures, rugs, silverware, piano lamps, etc., etc. Ladies especially invited and seats will be provided.

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MATINEES, Christmas Day and Saturday, 2.30. Children, 10c.
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VOTE TO RAISE SALARIES

Gala Night at the Meeting of the Common Council.

Councilman Webster Opposing Increase in Salaries Votes to Increase All—Lively Tilts—Lunch and Adjournment After Midnight.

The common council of 1896 had an inglorious finish.

Never before has this popular branch of the city council resorted to such farcical actions as marked last night's council meeting.

However good may have been the intentions of the majority of the councilmen, the effect was destroyed by the conduct of several of them.

Even Councilman Hounsell, acting as presiding officer, was obliged at one period of the meeting to remark: "We have made this meeting a burlesque already. Let us not put ourselves on record as a lot of clowns."

And even President Webster, the leader in the remarkable display of generosity by republican councilmen, in reply to a sally of a fellow member, was compelled to acknowledge that "We were jubilant in some cases."

The animus of the entire affair was evident. A special drive against Mayor Courtney and City Solicitor Qua is responsible for the remarkable action. The councilmen were late in gathering at the city hall, and when they arrived they were invited to a joint caucus in the Councilmanic Committee room.

The Caucus.

When the councilmen reached the committee room, they were called to order by Councilman Hounsell.

"I would like to know who called this caucus?" asked Mr. White.

"Well, I did not exactly call it, but I agreed to it," answered Mr. Hounsell. Mr. Webster was chosen to preside. It was stated the caucus was called to talk over the salary committee's report and to decide upon a plan of action.

Mr. George favored the committee's report and opposed the aldermanic amendments. Mr. Nay said if anybody's salary is going to be increased, every employe in the city should be paid more."

"Well, a resolution to increase the pay of all city laborers will be introduced tonight," said Mr. Webster.

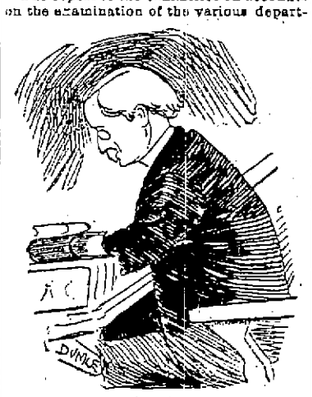
The discussion then became general and it was evident a special and particular drive was being made against the city solicitor.

"I believe that all this discussion should be in public and in the council chamber, and not behind closed doors. For that reason I intend to leave," said Mr. Miskella.

And then the caucus was broken up without accomplishing anything.

The Meeting.

The report of the committee on accounts on the examination of the various depart-



Clerk Owen called the roll.

ment accounts was completed. Auditor Whidden's report was also read and ordered on file.

The amendment to the ordinance providing for a method of keeping accounts in the various departments was referred.

The sum of $2500 was transferred to the credit of the appropriation for an addition to the Plain street school.

On motion of Councilman Reynolds a ballot was taken for sinking fund commissioner. It resulted as follows:

Fred A. Buttrick, 23; John E. Sullivan,

"I rise to a point of privilege," persisted Councilman White.

1; Thomas J. Mulligan, 1; and Mr. Buttrick was declared elected.

President Webster started to read the minority report of the committee appointed to investigate the charges of repairs on city hall boilers, when Councilman Hounsell asked for a recess of 10 minutes to allow the committee on ordinance to report on the amendment, providing for a method of keeping accounts in the various departments. He withdrew this motion and requested the president to appoint a committee of one to confer with the chairman of the committee on ordinance and request him to call a meeting of that committee. Councilman Hounsel was appointed on the committee.

President Webster then finished reading the minority report and it was accepted.

A Sweeping Increase.

President Webster then introduced a resolution increasing the pay of laborers in the several city departments 25 cents a day on and after Jan. 1, 1897. When it had taken its second reading Councilman White asked if that matter should not come before the committee on salaries.

"No, these men are paid by the day

President Webster pounded with his gavel for Councilman White to come to order.

and are not regarded as regular salaried officials," said Pres. Webster.

"How does the pay here compare with that in other cities?" asked Mr. White.

"In Boston street laborers are paid $2 a day; here they get $1.75," answered Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. Hartwell wanted to know if school janitors would be effected, but could get no information.

Mr. J. O'Hare advised making the increase. Pay these men $2 a day, for they deserve it," he said.

Mr. Nay favored increasing the wages of all persons in the employ of the city, both male and female hands.

Mr. Reynolds said he hoped every one would vote to give the laborers a fair day's pay.

"I am glad this resolution was introduced," said Mr. Miskella, "and I wish it had come in earlier in the year. These men lose several months during the year, so that the pay they receive per day, while it may appear considerable, does not average much in the year. I trust that every councilman will favor it."

Mr. White advised going slow in the matter. The resolution took its final passage, Badger, Drewett, Dunn, Eastman, George, Hallett, Hunton, Hounsell, Miskella, Nay, J. P. O'Hare, S. O'Hare, Pendergast, Pihl, Reynolds, Rivet, Smith, Sullivan, Thornton, Webster in favor, and Eveleth, Hartwell, Jacobs, Penn and White against.

"I give notice of reconsideration at the next meeting," said Mr. White.

"Your notice is out of order as we will have no other regular meeting this year," said Pres. Webster.

"Mr. President—Mr. President," shouted Mr. White, but the chairman paid no attention to him, confining himself to remarks with the clerk.

"The chair has the revised list of jurors," said Pres. Webster. Then he proceeded to call for a vote on a motion to appoint a committee of the council to revise the jury list.

During this time Mr. White remained on his feet. He was persistent. Webster

COUNCILMAN JAMES F. MISKELLA.
Who will be senior member of the lower branch and will call them to order in 1897.

completely ignored him. The other councilmen gazed in wonderment on the scene and several shot hard glances at the president. The tilt now became livelier. Mr. White stood firm and showed not the least excitement.

"Mr. President," he shouted again.

"Councilman White, come to order," yelled Webster, as he pounded his gavel hard on the block of marble.

"I am in order, and I shall continue to address the chair until I am accorded a hearing," answered Mr. White.

"Come to order, I say" thundered Webster, with another heavy blow of the gavel.

"If the chair will permit me, I will say I am in order," was Mr. White's courteous reply.

"I would suggest the appointment of a committee to revise the jury list," suggested Pres. Webster, transferring his attention to the body and again ignoring Mr. White.

Mr. Dunn was on his feet in a minute. Thoroughly disgusted and maddened by the president's action, he demanded the attention of the chair. Being recognized he moved that Mr. White be given a hearing.

Mr. Thornton seconded the motion, and it passed.

Mr. White explained that he gave notice of reconsideration because he has been given to understand there would be another special meeting this year. Under these conditions he wanted to know if his notice of reconsideration would not be in order.

"Your notice is not in order, for we do not know that we will have another meeting. Your motion is made to interfere with business and to railroad business. I still adhere to my decision."

"My notice is made to prevent railroading," answered Mr. White, "and I appeal from your decision."

The chairman's decision was sustained, Drewett, George, Hallett, Hounsell, Hunton, Miskella, Nay, J. O'Hare, S. O'Hare, Pendergast, Penn, Pihl, Reynolds, Rivet, Sullivan, Thornton, Webster in favor; Badger, Dunn, Eastman, Eveleth, Hartwell, Jacobs, Smith and White against.

The honorable councilmen take a little refreshments.

Messrs. Hallett, Nay and Drewett were appointed a committee to revise the jury list and were given a 10 minutes recess.

They reported that many councilmen submitted names, but none of them was accepted as the committee could not decide that they are voters, and could not properly place them.

Several councilmen stated that they submitted lists of names of voters, with residence and occupation, and they should be placed on the list.

The committee was given another recess and this time they reported the names submitted by the councilmen. The report was accepted.

Councilman Badger moved to hold another meeting next Tuesday evening. The motion was defeated.

The Salary List.

The report of the salary committee was taken up. Mr. George moved to place the salary of the mayor at $3000. The motion passed.

Mr. Hounsell's motion to pay the city treasurer $3000 a year passed.

The amendment to pay the city solicitor $3000 was carried by a vote of 13 to 11.

Pres. Webster moved to pay the day and night policemen $3 a day. Mr. Hartwell moved to amend that the salary of sergeants of police be also increased 25 cents a day. The motion as amended was carried, Mr. White alone voting against it. The pay of the matron of the police station was also increased to $800 a year.

Mr. Hunton moved that the salary of the superintendent of streets be $2500 per annum. The motion was carried 13 to 10.

Mr. George moved that the salary of the superintendent of public buildings be increased to $2000. This motion was also carried 14 to 5.

On motion of Mr. J. O'Hare the salary of the superintendent of water works was increased to $2000.

Mr. Hunton moved to pay the superintendent of city scales $500 a year. Mr. Badger moved as an amendment that the salary be $205. The original motion was carried.

It was voted to increase the salaries of fish warden and poundkeeper to $50 per annum.

Following out his argument offered in behalf of policemen Mr. Webster moved to increase the pay of permanent firemen, drivers, engineers and foremen 25 cents a day. This motion also passed.

Mr. George moved to fix the salary of purchasing agent at $2500 a year. Mr. Eveleth moved as an amendment to make it $3000.

Mr. Jacobs thought it time to call a halt. With the present salary amounts we cannot appropriate a sufficient amount to meet our expenses. The time is not opportune to increase salaries. We are too generous; don't let our generosity stifle our sense of justice.

Mr. White ably seconded Mr. Jacobs' remarks. "I protest against the spirit of levity shown in regard to salaries. The public may charge us with being recreant to our oaths of office if we continue in this direction."

"I am ashamed of the action of this council tonight," said Mr. Rivet, "and I regret that I attended this meeting. I was made speechless by some of the acts of the council tonight."

"This looks too much like a mock session" said Mr. Hartwell, and the best thing the council can do is to rescind its action on this salary question."

Mr. Webster moved as an amendment to an amendment to place the salary of purchasing agent at $2400 and this passed.

When the question came on passing the salary resolution, as amended, Mr. Hartwell wanted to have the council rescind its whole action. "Vote against the resolution and it will have the same effect as a motion to rescind," suggested Pres. Hounsell who had taken Mr. Webster's place in the chair.

Mr. Webster rose to defend the council's action. He recited the hardships and daring ventures of firemen and policemen. "Why not increase their pay when you vote an increase to a man who comes to a carpeted office, never soils his hands with ink, remains till one o'clock, then goes to Lakeview to bowl and afterwards enjoys a hot supper.

"See the policemen," he said, "out in a rainstorm and with the snow falling around their ears."

The council then took a recess and enjoyed lunch and cigars.

After recess Pres. Webster took the chair. The salary report as amended was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Badger asked to have his vote changed from the affirmative to the negative on the resolution to increase city laborers' pay.

Mr. Nay said that he had entered the common council from the highest motives. He had sought retrenchment, and the head of the departments had combined to thwart the appropriations. The people had gone to the caucuses and turned down the men who had sought retrenchment in their favor. He believed that the people favored the combinations, and so he had voted for the increases. He believed that he was doing right in so voting, though he did not believe it in the city's interest.

Mr. Hounsell, Mr. George and President Webster, speaking of the action of the committee on salaries, stated that in voting for salaries they considered the position, not the person. "If I considered the person City Solicitor Qua would get just $2 a year," said President Webster.

President Webster then delivered his valedictory to the council, and especially thanked the democratic members. He then declared the council adjourned.

President Webster's Statement.

President Webster told the reporters that his reason for introducing the resolution to increase the city laborers' pay was to place Councilmen Smith, White and Hartwell on record. "Whatever I introduce they oppose, and I wanted to see how they stood. I also desired to place the mayor and aldermen on record. If I introduced a resolution not to blow the roof off this building they would oppose it."

BOWLING NEWS.

Les Miserables bowled in their old time form last night and put up 2517 against 2480 for the Bankers.

The Parkers defeated the Swift and Baileys, 1975 to 1757.

At the Highland club last night Team Five defeated Team Thirteen by a score of 2179 to 2016.

Team Four defeated Team Twelve by a score of 2301 to 2146.

Aldermen Did Not Meet.

The aldermen did not meet last night as a quorum was not present. Four aldermen waited till 8.30 but the fifth man never came so all thoughts of a meeting were abandoned and the mayor stated that he would call a special meeting this evening.

A little daughter has been born to Councilman and Mrs. John E. Sullivan.

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2 O'CLOCK

A YOUNG OFFICER

Thomas H. Muldoon Chosen as Chief Ranger.

BY THE LARGEST COURT IN AMERICA.

A Sketch of His Career in Business.

Court Merrimack, F. of A., held its semi-annual meeting in Foresters' hall last night and elected officers as follows: C. R., Thomas Muldoon; S. C. R., William E. Dwyer; F. S., William H. Stafford; R. S., Thomas F. Brennan; treasurer, John McFadden; S. W., Thomas Leeson; J. W., Owen O'Neill; S. B., John J. Kelly; physician, Dr. Maurice Landers.

Chief Ranger Thomas H. Muldoon was born in this city Aug. 6, 1872. He graduated from the Green school and spent a short time in the High school, circumstances compelling him to give up his studies and assist in the support of his family, having been left fatherless

THOMAS H. MULDOON.

when but a year old. For some time he spent his leisure hours in study at home, acquiring a first-class education. Possessed of elocutionary ability he gave special attention to that branch of study, and as a result has received several prizes for public speaking.

Mr. Muldoon learned the printer's trade and is at present employed in the Courier-Citizen job department giving his earnings to the study of law hoping in time to be admitted to the bar.

He has the honor of being the youngest chief ranger in the state and will preside over the largest court of Foresters in America. He is prominent in Ward two politics and a popular member of the Knight's of Sherwood Forest and the Mathew Temperance institute. He resides with his mother and three sisters at 268 Suffolk street.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Music Hall.

What will probably prove to be the melodramatic event of the season will be the big spectacular production of "The Pulse of New York," at Music hall for three nights, commencing Thursday, Dec. 24. The stupendous pile-drive effect is still retained, but it is more thrilling than ever. New scenes have recently been added, including the funny satire on New York's newest, "The Raines' Law," also a magnificent reproduction of the famous Hoffman Cafe and the Herald Square, by electric light. The company, a large and strictly first class ensemble of artists, is headed by Stella Mayhew and and Chris Bruno, late of Yale's Devil Auction" company.

The Savoy.

The performance of Rosedale at the Savoy last evening was a great success, a decided improvement upon the preceding evening, and a magnificent hit for the entire company. In such a small theatre it is difficult to handle so much scenery but last night the changes were quickly executed and the play went off with a snap and vim that kept attention of the audience riveted upon the various characters as they unrolled the plot.

Mr. Weston, as Eliot Grey, was seen at his best and was vigorously applauded. Miss Edsall as lady Florence won favor with the audience and in her magnificent costumes looked charming while her acting was characterized by ease, grace and good judgment. Miss Lydia Knott, as Rosa Leigh, was at her best and gave a splendid conception of the role, her scenes with Mr. Weston being exceptionally good as Tabitha Stork.

Mrs. Dickson as usual displayed much dramatic talent throughout. She compels attention to her every act. Mr. Burress as Kobb was humorous and comical as usual while Miss Annable was an ideal maid. Olive Smith filled her role to perfection. She is a great child actress. Altogether the performance is highly creditable to the company and should be well patronized by the Lowell public. The efforts of the company to maintain a respectable theatre for the legitimate drama deserves well of Lowell people and when such a play as Rosedale is undertaken the house should be crowded at each performance.

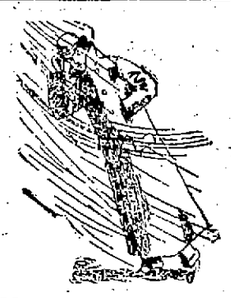
POLICE COURT.

Dudley J.

Five drunks were fined.

The case of James Cleary for attempting to vote illegally was tried this morning, D. J. Donahue, Esq. appearing for Cleary. J. A. Ramsay and other precinct officers testified that they saw Cleary in the act of voting a second time on the day of election.

Cleary claimed that he didn't know he had voted being under the influence of liquor. The court found him guilty and fined him $100.



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Hon. Geo. Fred Williams has taken up his residence in Boston, and will undoubtedly be a candidate for mayor on the first opportunity.

We sympathize with Dr. Holbrook, who came within ten votes of being elected alderman. Such a contest is like catching a train where a minute late is as bad as an hour.

Had the people of Haverhill only known that licence would be carried by 29 votes, they would have secured three times that number in preference to paying their fares for a year to Lawrence to buy their drinks.

The Spanish butcher, Weyler, is working many strategies to overcome the Cubans. It would be a great stroke of generalship for Maceo to appear at the head of a well equipped army to attack Weyler or to storm Havana.

The professional nurses of Connecticut are forming a league to keep up the wages and protect their business. They also claim that such a league would save the lives of many patients who are killed by inexperienced nurses.

Senator Hill emerges from his obscurity to offer a resolution for recognizing the belligerency of Cuba. That would not be quite so serious as Cameron's, and will not be any more binding upon the president. Cleveland will do as he pleases.

Queen Lili is on her way to the White House to make another appeal to the president in behalf of getting back her old dilapidated throne. Her majesty should recollect that we do not hold her throne in custody, and that we want no part of the paraphernalia of Hawaiian royalty.

Secretary Olney's coup d'etat will kill not only the Cameron recognition of Cuban independence, but also every form of recognition that may be proposed. Olney and Cleveland are masters of the situation, so far as the Cuban question goes, at the present time, and there is no danger that they will take any radical step that would cause complications with Spain.

The republicans of the country secured a victory in the national election by the free use of money. They are now turning their attention to securing a majority in the next senate of the United States by buying up votes in the legislatures of the doubtful states. They want four senators in order to have a working majority in the senate, and to Mark Hanna has been entrusted the work of buying the votes necessary to secure the election of the requisite number of senators. North Carolina, Kentucky, Washington and South Dakota are the places where Hanna is expected to operate. It will be interesting to see the result of his efforts in this direction.

Senator Allen of Nebraska has enlivened the closing scenes of congress by introducing a resolution providing for the investigation of the use of money in the recent election. Any committee that would go to the bottom of this question would have an endless task on hand, but we do not expect that Hanna has left his tracks uncovered so that a United States committee can follow them and calculate the amount of money he spent in buying up whole states and municipalities for the republican party. The first place that committee should strike is out in Texas, where the grand jury was on the point of indicting Mark Hanna, for attempting to buy out the vote of the state.

THE NEW BRAND OF PROSPERITY.

The evidences of the McKinley prosperity are not very obtrusive these days. We hear of a reduction of wages here and there as at White Bros., at Pilling's, at the Lowell Hosiery and several other places. We hear of mills closing down, of banks failing and of the possibility of a new bond issue—these and these only are the evidences of the McKinley brand of prosperity. The manufacturers who shouted most loudly for McKinley's election, who promised that everything would be all right if that were accomplished—even these confidence shouters are now reducing wages; and that is the evidence around us today of McKinley's prosperity. Where is Reed's confidence, where is the great impetus to manufactures foretold as a result of McKinley's election? Are the contingent orders all run off? We supposed they would keep the factories running for six months; but they proved more delusive than contingent. What is the remedy, what is the resource now sought by the employers? It is to reduce wages. That is what they call prosperity and that with confidence according to republican doctrinaires is all that any working man needs. Edward Atkinson should now come forward to supplement the McKinley managers and show the people how to live well on 13 cents a day by using his cooking apparatus.

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From the Cuban Question to Railroads

SENATOR VEST DISAPPOINTED HIS HEARERS.

Information Regarding Killing of an American.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The senate was unexpectedly diverted yesterday from Cuba to the Pacific railroads. An unusually large crowd was in the galleries, anticipating that Mr. Vest would continue his speech begun Monday on the attitude of Mr. Olney toward the Cameron resolution. The interest this had awakened was shown by the presence in the diplomatic gallery of First Assistant Secretary of State Rockhill, who is next in rank to Mr. Olney in state affairs, and who has had special charge of the reports coming from consuls in Cuba. The foreign delegation also was well represented.

The large audience in the senate galleries was considerably disappointed yesterday over the failure of Senator Vest to make a speech on the president's prerogative on Cuban recognition, and the consequent failure of Senator Hill to reply to him.

"I don't know, said Senator Vest, "how the impression got out that I would speak today. I never said that I would."

"I certainly can't reply to Senator Vest if he does not speak," said Senator Hill.

The senate became aware of this condition of affairs early in the day, but the galleries remained in ignorance during a great part of the session, many retaining their seats in the belief that they would be regaled with such a debate as the present session has not witnessed. The diplomatic and private galleries of the senate were both well filled.

The senate opponents of the Cuban resolution assert that the Missouri senator's failure to talk is due to the fact that he has been induced to look into authorites which do not sustain his view of the question, and that he has concluded to investigate further before speaking. The question is one requiring close attention to precedents and to constitutional points, and all recognize that it is necessary to proceed with care.

Soon after the session opened Mr. Pettigraw of South Dakota called up his resolution relative to the trust notes of the Pacific railroad. The senator made a savage onslaught on the Pacific railroad system in general, charging that a combination of private interests was seeking to absorb the roads and close out the government.

This opened the entire question, and Mr. Morgan of Alabama followed with a bitter arraignment of the Pacific railroads, charging them with fraud and crime on a gigantic scale. The speech lasted until shortly before 2 o'clock, when the morning hour expired, thus sending over the Cuban question until after the holidays.

Mr. Call secured the adoption of a resolution asking the secretary of state for information relative to the killing of Charles Gavin, an American citizen, by the Spanish forces in Cuba. Further than this, the session was uneventful, and the senate adjourned for the holiday recess, lasting until Jan. 5.

The house yesterday passed the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and then adjourned for the holiday recess. This is the first time in the history of congress that the legislative bill has been passed before the holidays. The day was devoted to the annual debate of the civil service law, and as usual the attempt to strike out the provision for the commission was overwhelmingly defeated. There was a good deal of threshing over old straw and sparring for political points. Mr. Brosius, chairman of the civil service committee, defended the law. Others who participated in the debate were Messrs. Baker (Rep., N. H.), Walker (Rep., Mass.), Williams (Dem., Miss.), Powers (Rep., Cal.), and Neil (Dem., Ark.). Mr. Settle (Rep., N. C.) made the motion to strike out the paragraph relating to the civil service which was defeated, 39 to 62. The bill, as passed, carries $21,669,369, or $36,379 more than the current bill. During the morning hour a bill was passed authorizing the railroads of the Indian Territory to change their alignments.

Hattinger Case at Dedham.

Dedham, Mass., Dec. 23.—Yesterday afternoon the government closed its case against Joseph Hattinger, his wife, Mrs. Marion Hattinger, and Mrs. Susan A. Holt, charged with attempting to steal money from Mrs. Nancy Gillett, with the testimony of the complaining witness. The defense immediately put Mrs. Hattinger on the stand. She told the story of her life, including the strained marital relations which followed her husband's meeting with Mrs. Holt. Witness admitted she believed her husband was unfaithful, but she forgave him. She denied she ever said anything about money and Mrs. Gillett.

Providence City Sued.

Providence, Dec. 23.—George E. Cranston, the owner of Pleasant Bluff, a well-known summer resort, has brought suit for $30,000 against the city of Providence. He claims that by reason of dredging the Providence river to obtain clay the city has made his bathing beach unsafe, and has ruined his business.

Engineer and Fireman Killed.

New York, Dec. 23.—Engineer John W. Bogart and Fireman U. G. Halleck, of an Erie local train out of Jersey City last night, were killed near Fish Creek, on the Hackensack meadows, by the derailing and ditching of their engine. The accident was caused by the breaking of an axle of a freight car.

Locked Children In House.

Portsmouth, O., Dec. 23.—Two small children of Mrs. Christine Carlisle at Wakefield, Tommy, aged 2, and Ruth, aged 4, were burned to death Monday night. The mother had locked them in the house and had gone to a neighbor's, and the house caught fire in her absence.

Insurgents Overcome.

Paris, Dec. 23.—A cable message received here yesterday from General Gallieni, the French commander-in-chief in the Island of Madagascar, states that the insurrection in the Imerina districts is virtually over, and adds that few bands are hiding in the forests.

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Gomez Preparing to Avenge Maceo's Death.

HIS SON WAS ALSO KILLED BY SPANIARDS.

Weyler Destroying Everything in His Path.

Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—A special from Key West says: Passengers on the Havana boat last night say preparations are being made with secrecy for a forward move. Three battalions of newly-landed troops left by water Sunday for the east. It is supposed that this is part of Weyler's coming campaign. Gomez is advancing rapidly, and it is thought that Weyler, if possible, will prevent his coming to the gates of Havana. It is stated from Cuban sources that the Cuban leader is wild over the murder of his son and his beloved chief lieutenant, and is burning to revenge their fall. The Cubans in the army are infuriated also. Dr. Zertucha is a marked man, too, and it is reported that a move has been made to abduct him. He is now in a fortress some miles from Havana with a strong Spanish guard. His trip to Spain will be postponed, the Cubans say, as if he goes over there they have friendly hands in that country who will avenge Maceo and young Gomez.

A detachment of troops at the plantation of Progreso, in Matanzas, has killed the insurgent leader Bernardino Velides Villajou.

Captain General Weyler arrived at 7 o'clock yesterday morning at Mariel, and was at Artemisa by 10 o'clock, whence he proceeded by coach in company with General Arolas, Chief of Staff Escribano and General Weyler's son, who is an aide to his father.

General Weyler has ordered that the cattle should be gathered up immediately by the guerillas in order to deprive the insurgents of their food supply.

General Solano has raised the siege of the village of Mayagagua, in Santa Clara province, and has in turn attacked the insurgents who retreated from the town with losses.

Alcohol Drinkers Die.

Mattoon, Ills., Dec. 23.—Two deaths, the resut of alcohol poisoning, occurred in this city Monday. Several other young men are under the care of physicians and more deaths may be announced. A number of young men, ranging from 17 to 22 years of age, and belonging to a club having rooms in a business block, started in on a holiday celebration last Sunday. One young man supplied the crowd with crude alcohol, and the youths compounded a mixed drink of alcohol, water, sugar and cinnamon drops. About half a gallon of alcohol was used and several gallons of the mixture was consumed. Monday John Madison died. Late last evening Bert Wellman died in convulsions. The investigation of the coroner's jury brought to light the fact that the alcohol used had been taken from the Mattoon gas works, and is known as wood alcohol, considered to be a deadly poison if taken in any quantity. Physicians express surprise that any of the young men survived.

Princess Eloped With Violinist.

London, Dec. 23.—According to a Brussels dispatch to The Chronicle the action for divorce by Prince Joseph of Chimay and Caraman, in Belgium, against his wife, who was formerly Miss Clara Ward, daughter of Captain Ward of Detroit, was commenced on Monday before the civil tribunal at Charleroi. The case was heard behind closed doors. The Princess of Chimay and Caraman, who had been a brilliant figure in Parisian society, eloped in November last with a Hungarian gypsy musician, who was accustomed to play in the cafes of Paris. She had been married to Prince Joseph when she was only 17 years old, and her great wealth and beauty gave her a social leadership in her circle. The troubles between her husband and herself have been of public notoriety for some time past. She is the mother of two children.

Cattle Shipment Port.

Boston, Dec. 23.—The question of a port through which to send Canadian cattle to Europe is constantly in agitation, and the prospective settlement upon Boston as that port has brought out much comment, and not a little criticism by rival ports. Secretary E. F. Preston of the chamber of commerce says that "If Boston did not export Canadian cattle they would not be exported and thereby come into competition with the American cattle in England. Regarding the reference to Canadian cattle being tinctured with contagious pleuro-pneumonia, the evidence that this disease has been thoroughly stamped out in Canada, as it has been in the United States, is so overwhelming that no reasonable doubt exists in any unprejudiced mind as to its extinction."

Played Chess Against Twelve Men.

New York, Dec. 23.—H. N. Pillsbury, the chess expert, gave a complimentary simultaneous performance at the Metropolitan Chess club last night, playing against 12 men on four boards, three men consulting on each. The rooms of the club in the Central Opera House, East Sixty-seventh street, were crowded by spectators. The performance began at 9 o'clock, the result being that Pillsbury won all four games.

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Boston, Dec. 23.—After seven days consumed in putting in testimony against Mate Bram of the barkentine Herbert Fuller in trying to prove him guilty of th murder of Captain Nash, the government late yesterday afternoon rested its case, and today the defense will begin the work of trying to prove that Bram did not commit the deed.

Immediately after the opening of court Judge Webb denied the prosecution petition to put in testimony to show that Bram had proposed to kill the captain of another vessel on which he was a sailor. The court held that such testimony was entirely foreign to the charge on which Bram was being tried.

This is considered a serious blow to the prosecution, as no evidence has been introduced at the trial to show a motive for the murder of Captain Nash.

A number of seamen were recalled and testified that unless the steersmen constantly moved the wheel the vessel would either fall off or come up into the wind in a very short time.

The last witness of the day was Medical Examiner Harris of this city, who testified that the instrument which

Paris, Dec. 23.—The Paris newspapers are full of gossip about Dr. Grenier, who has been elected deputy for Pontarlier, as a Radical. Dr. Grenier is a rigid Mussulman, and he intends to wear the turban and the burnous in the chamber of deputies. His election was due to bad management by the moderate Republican committees. He stood for the election at the time as "The prophet of God." He is highly educated, a skilful debater and is a medical doctor. He never refuses a consultation and never takes a fee, and gives away his whole fortune. He advocates free marriage and polygamy, and practices all the Mussulman rites, including naked bathing in the river. The newspapers jocularly ask whether he will do the same in Paris.

Poisoned Buckwheat.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—Five members of the family of F. M. Roberts, a fireman on the Missouri Pacific railway, were poisoned by eating cakes made of prepared wheat flour yesterday. Four of them are at the city hospital, and it is doubtful if they will recover. They are Mrs. Mary Roberts; Ollie, aged 13; Frank, 16; John, 6, and Lizzie, 8 years. George Roberts, 10 years old, found a package of prepared buckwheat flour in the alley Monday night. He took the package home, and his mother made buckwheat cakes for breakfast with the above result.

Fitz Coming East.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Bob Fitzsimmons, accompanied by his family, started east last night. Fitzsimmons will proceed leisurely to New York, where he will sign the articles of agreement for his fight with Corbett.

John L. in Court.

Boston, Dec. 23.—John L. Sullivan sat in the poor debtors' session of the municipal court to explain why he had failed to settle a florist's bill. The case will be further heard Jan. 11.

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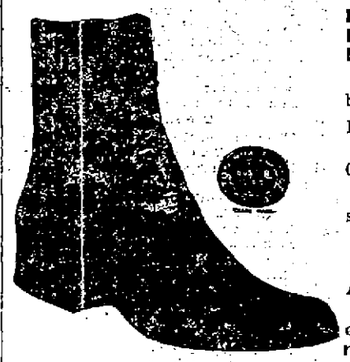

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Employes and Friends Generously Remembered.

Boston, Dec. 23.—Seldom does a rich man leave behind him such a list of princely legacies for the public good and deserving charities, and in recognizing the services of faithful employes and the worth of loyal friendships, as did the late Hon. Henry L. Pierce, once mayor of Boston, an ex-member of congress, and the business head of the Walter Baker company, as shown by his will, which yesterday was probated. He was a man of great wealth, unmarried, and, after looking liberally after his closest relatives, disposed of the rest of his thousands in a way that was not only remarkable, but a way in which everybody will say did honor to the man, and was consistent with his ways in life.

The executors of the will are George Putnam and William L. Putnam, and the filing was in the Suffolk county probate court.

The amount of the public bequests contained in the will—including those for art, educational and charitable institutions—is nearly $2,000,000; to the officers and employes of the corporation of which he was the head he left nearly another million; and to his brother, Edward L. Pierce, and his family, which includes eight children, he gave nearly $1,500,000.

Perhaps the bequest of the greatest particular interest was that by which Thomas Bailey Aldrich, the author, is given the summer residence of Mr. Pierce at Ponkapoag, with all its furniture and belongings together with $200,000 in money. The conditions of this gift are as follows: "To Thomas Bailey Aldrich, the author, and in case of his death before me to his wife, and in case of the death of himself and wife before me, to his children, share and share alike, the house and barn and about two acres of land, or about the same, as is fenced in at Ponkapoag. Also all the furniture of every kind contained in the house occupied by me as my summer residence at Ponkapoag, and also to the said Thomas Bailey Aldrich and his wife the sum of $200,000; and if both of them die before me I give this sum to the children of Thomas Bailey Aldrich, share and share alike."

The rest of Mr. Pierce's fine farm on the southern edge of the Blue Hills reservation of the public park system is given, subject to certain life estates, to the Metropolitan park commission, to be added to the city's park lands. This system already includes a large tract which Mr. Pierce gave during his life. The farm is known as the Ponkapoag farm, near Houghton's pond. There are about 400 acres, part of which is under cultivation and part heavily wooded. It skirts the shores of the Ponkapoag pond and lies within the limits of the towns of Randolph, Milton and Canton. It is considered a very valuable piece of property.

These are Mr. Pierce's gifts to the Walter Baker company:

Charles F. Aldrich	$100,000
Talbot B. Aldrich	100,000
J. Frank Howland	100,000
H. C. Gallagher	100,000
Frank S. Hall	50,000
James M. Bugbee	50,000
William B. Brooks	50,000
Charles A. Pope	40,000
Robert M. Hall	40,000
John E. Dodge	40,000
Harry D. Delano	40,000
Richard Folsom	40,000
Ethan A. Cushing	40,000
Total	$790,000

Mr. Howland is the president of the Walter Baker company, and has been Mr. Pierce's confidential clerk for many years. Messrs. Charles F. Aldrich and Talbot B. Aldrich are directors in the corporation. Mr. Gallagher is vice president of the corporation. Mr. Cushing is superintendent of the works at Milton. Mr. Dodge is treasurer of the corporation. Mr. Hall is the head of the New York agency. Mr. Brooks is the clerk of the corporation. Mr. Bugbee has been closely associated with Mr. Pierce nearly all his life. He was clerk of committees in city hall, was mayor's clerk, was on the civil service commission, and in more recent years has held a responsible position with the Walter Baker company.

These bequests and those to officers and employes mentioned above take precedence over public bequests, which are as follows, and which are to bear proportionately any deficiencies that may occur.

To the Methodist, Baptist, Unitarian and Catholic societies of the village of Dorchester Lower Mills, where he lived, and the Episcopal society of Ashmont, $5000 each; to the town of Stoughton, $45,000, for the purchase of books for a free public library; to Harvard college, $50,000; to the Massachusetts general hospital, $50,000; to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, $50,000; to the Museum of Fine Arts, $50,000; to the Massachusetts homeopathic hospital, $50,000; to the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear infirmary, $20,000; to the Children's hospital on Huntington avenue, $20,000; to the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, $20,000; to the New England Hospital for Women and Children, $20,000; to the Home for Aged Men on West Springfield street, $20,000; to the Home for Aged Women, at 108 Revere street, $20,000; to the Home for Aged Couples, on Walnut avenue, corner of School street, $20,000; to the Home for Colored Women, on Myrtle street, $5000; to the Channing home, on McLean street, $5000; to the Boston Home for Incurables, on Dorchester avenue, $20,000; to the Boston Children's Aid society, $5000; to the Society for the Collegiate Instruction of Women in Cambridge, $20,000; to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, $20,000; to the Boston Lying-In hospital, on McLean street, $20,000; to the Commandery of the State of Massachusetts, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, $5000; the residue that may remain after paying all the legacies is to be divided equally among the Museum of Fine Arts, the president and fellows of Harvard college, the Massachusetts general hospital, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Massachusetts Homeopathic hospital.

The foregoing bequests foot up to about $5,000,000. Mr. Pierce was taxed $36,500 on real estate in Dorchester, and his personal property was assessed at $450,000. His State street property was valued at $85,000.

RUNS ON CHICAGO BANKS.

Depositors Frightened by the Illinois National Failure.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The failures of Angus & Gindele, general contractors, the American Brewing, Malting and Elevator company, the George A. Weisse Malting and Elevator company and George A. Weisse individually, all of these being due to the collapse of the National Bank of Illinois and small runs on three banks, were the echoes yesterday of the bank failures. Runs were made on the Garden City Banking and Trust company, the Hibernian Savings bank and the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, and none of the runs was of much consequence. The officers of the Garden City Banking and Trust company had expected that a run would be made upon their institution and were ready to meet it. They threw open the doors of the bank at an hour earlier than usual, as they said they wanted to get the run out of the way so that they could transact their usual business without being disturbed. Quite a crowd of spectators had gathered at the doors before they were opened, and as soon as the bank was ready for business the depositors gave the paying tellers all they cared to do. The run kept up with energy for over an hour and then died away. At the close of the banking hours the officers of the institution announced that during the day the amount of money taken in was treble that paid out, and the bank was declared to be in better shape than at the opening of the doors in the morning.

The run on the Hibernian Savings bank was of a short duration, as the officers declined to pay any deposits unless given the legal 60 days' notice. They said that this was not because they were not prepared to pay all depositors in full, but because they wished to avoid embarrassment to smaller bankers, who might not be prepared to pay all their depositors at once, and who might be placed in an embarrassing position if the stronger banks were paying all demands for time deposits.

There was a slight run on the Illinois Trust and Savings bank shortly after it opended yesterday morning, the similarity of its name and the national bank having led some depositors to believe that the former was embarrassed. During the run in 1893 President John J. Mitchell of the Illinois Trust gave orders to pay all depositors who called for their money and was criticised by other bankers for doing so. Yesterday morning, as soon as it became evident that there was likely to be a crowd in the bank, instructions were given the tellers to serve the customary 60 days' notice, but to pay all depositors who could show that they wanted $100 of their money for a legitimate purpose. The result was that the score or more of people who had lined up at the paying tellers' windows soon dispersed. Before the close of banking hours the excitement had completely died out. The giving of the notice was sanctioned by the clearing house, and the object was (the Illinois Trust being the strongest savings bank in the city) was to give the smaller ones the opportunity to point to its action as an excuse for giving the notice themselves, which they did, and thus effectually stopped a run at any of the savings banks. The Illinois Trust and Savings bank is said to have $9,000,000 in cash on hand, and was yesterday loaning money instead of, as in 1893, calling loans to meet the demands of the savings depositors.

"Thou Shalt Not Approach."

Rochester, Dec. 23.—Rev. David Kirkpatrick, pastor of the Second Universalist church, this city, was arrested yesterday on the charge of, without authority, attempting to exercise the functions of a police officer. He is accused of accosting a woman on the street and asking permission to accompany her. She refused, whereupon he threatened to arrest her. Kirkpatrick acknowledged talking with the woman, but states it was a method adopted by him for the purpose of obtaining material for a series of sermons on the Ten Commandments relating to the social and moral question.

Remains of Kate Field.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—The remains of Miss Kate Field arived yesterday from Honolulu on the steamer Belgic. The casket was enclosed in a wooden covering and placed aboard the steamer at Honolulu without any display. As soon as the steamer docks here the remains will be taken to the crematory. Arrangements are now being made for memorial services to be held in Trinity Episcopal church. The ashes will be sent for final interment to Mount Auburn.

May Have Drowned Himself.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 23.—A coat belonging to Fred Pinkus was found on the banks of the canal late yesterday afternoon. Pinkus disappeared last Sunday evening and has not been seen since. It is thought that he committed suicide, as he has said several times of late that he intended to do away with himself. He was about 45 years of age. The canal will be dragged by police today.

Women Walk Across Continent.

New York, Dec. 23.—Mrs. S. Eaby and her daughter passed through Morristown, N. J., last night on their way to this city from Spokane, Wash. The two women have walked the entire distance, and have covered 4500 miles. They left Spokane on May 5. They expect to reach New York about 10 o'clock today.

Amnesty For Armenians.

Constantinople, Dec. 23.—An irade has been issued granting amnesty to all Armenian prisoners except those sentenced to death for murder. The terms of the amnesty include about 100 Armenians under sentence of death for other offenses than that of murder.

To Provide Work For Unemployed.

Lynn, Mass., Dec. 23.—To set the unemployed of Lynn at work 10,000 was raised at the meeting of the board of trade last night. This sum is subscribed to establish a shoe industry for the unemployed. Of the total sum P. H. McLain offered $5000.

Railroad Change Denied.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—General Manager Hayes of the Grand Trunk denies the story published by a Detroit paper that A. B. Atwater, superintendent of the Grand Trunk at Detroit, has been appointed superintendent of the Central Vermont.

"George Harris" Starving.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 23.—Mayor Simrall has received a letter from Charles Umbers of Dunedin, New Zealand, informing him that a subscription of £70 had been made there and would be sent to the mayor as a Christmas gift for George Lears Clark, who is understood to be the George Harris of Mrs. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Clark has been on the verge of starvation for some time.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

OF THE PILGRIMS

Their Landing Celebrated by N. E. Society.

MANY PROMINENT MEN ARE PRESENT.

Sec'y Herbert's Eulogy of Our Navy.

New York, Dec. 23.—The New England society of New York city celebrated the 91st anniversary of its existence, and the 276th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers, with a banquet at the Waldorf last night. The dinner was served in the magnificent new ballroom, which was beautifully draped with bunting and flowers. On the walls were banners bearing the arms of the New England states. There was also a strong suggestion of the yuletide season in the garlands of mistletoe, holly and evergreen.

A novel and humorous feature of the banquet was the costumes of the waiters, which were made to represent New England farmhands. They were attired in blue jean overalls, checkered jumpers and broad brimmed straw hats.

Covers were laid for 500. At the main table were Henry F. Howland, first vice president, who presided, because of the sickness and consequent absence of President Charles C. Beaman; Edward J. Phelps, ex-minister to England; Secretary of the Navy Hilary A. Herbert, General Nelson A. Miles, General Horace Porter, General Thomas Ruger, J. P. Morgan, Cornelius N. Bliss, Horace White, Edward King, J. Kennedy Todd, Commander Montgomery Sicard, U. S. N.; Hamilton W. Mabie, Stewart L. Woodford, Mayor Strong, Elihu Root, Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage and H. L. Burnett.

The following toasts were responded to: "Forefathers' Day," by E. J. Phelps; "Our Debt to the Pilgrim Fathers," Rev. Dr. M. J. Savage; "Some New Englanders in Georgia," Colonel R. M. Johnson of Baltimore; "New England Literature," H. W. Mabie; "The Results of Puritan Influence," General Horace Porter; "The Navy," Secretary Herbert; "The Army," General Miles; "The Civil Compact and the Church Covenant of England," Arthur Lord, president of the Pilgrim society of Plymouth; "The City of New York," Mayor Strong, and "Our Sister Societies," J. Kennedy Todd, president of St. Andrew's society.

Secretary of the Navy Herbert made the principal speech of the occasion. In opening he referred to the fact that he served in tht Confederate army, and was proud of the heroism of his countrymen on both sides. America is now unseparably united and moving on toward a glorious future. He then said:

"This occasion, Mr. chairman, and the toast to which I am to respond suggest that if the first blood of the resolution was shed on New England soil, so also did New Englanders shed the first blood at sea. It took the news of the battle of Lexington three weeks to travel to Machias, Me. Almost immediately volunteers seized upon a sloop, armed her, and after a bloody struggle captured an armed English schooner, the Margaratta, that was lying off the port. This battle was an outburst of the spirit of liberty and an omen of the glorious future that awaited American seamen. Our little continental navy, during the first two years of the Revolutionary war, destroyed 791 British sail, and throughout the whole of that long struggle the new flag that had appeared upon the ocean was carried with untarnished honor through every combat. New England furnished a large proportion of the sailors and her due share of the officers that made this glorious record.

"During the revolution we had few vessels that could contend in equal combat with the ships of Great Britain. In the war of 1812 we were in little better condition, but in the battles of Lake Erie and Lake Champlain, and in the famous duels at sea that took place between British and American vessels, our little navy made a record that has kindled the fires of patriotism in the hearts of millions of American people from that day to this. To that war New England gave, among others, Isaac Chauncey, David Porter, Oliver Hazard Perry and Isaac Hull."

Mr. Herbert referred to the fact that he had succeeded in having Admiral Farragut's flagship, the Hartford, preserved, but that the famous old Constitution was rotting at Portsmouth. He appealed to the society to secure the preservation of the Constitution, that coming generations might draw patriotism from her old spars and ensign.

"Our new navy was begotten in the throes of the Civil War. The Merrimac and the Monitor were the creations, both, of American genius. The famous battle between these two vessels put the shipyards of Europe to work on new designs and modern navies resulted. Other nations had made wonderful forward strides, when, 12 years ago, we began to reconstruct our navy, and now we have in commission 42 ships, with an aggregate displacement of 137,000 tons, all, with insignificant exceptions, modern vessels, and ship for ship and gun for gun we may proudly challenge comparison with the world."

In conclusion the secretary recounted the work of the navies of the Union and the Confederacy during the Civil War, and said:

"The historian of the future will not fail to dwell with admiration upon the achievements of the armies of the Union, but when he comes to look for results and to trace those to their cause, in my opinion, after recounting and weighing the effects of the many victories won under both flags, he will record that it was the sword of the navy thrown into the wavering balance that turned the scale in favor of the Union.

"In conclusion, let me say that I trust we are not yet done with building our new navy—that the program began a dozen of years ago is to be carried on until we shall have a navy worthy in the number of its ships, as it is in the character of those we already possess, of the great people it represents—a people who, during the first 70 years of their existence, outranked all others in the world."

Christmas Wedding.

St. Johnsbury, Vt., Dec. 23.—Amid a mass of shining holly and under the mystic mistletoe a pretty home wedding took place at "The Bluffs" here at noon yesterday. The bride was Miss Martha E. Ross, daughter Chief Justice Jonathan Ross, and the groom was John W. Titcomb, superintendent of the United States fish hatchery and the Vermont state fish commissioner.

SPAIN IS ROUTED

By the Rebels in Philippine Islands.

CASTILIAN HEAVY LOSSES IN THE BATTLE.

Gen. Rios Ceased Operations For Awhile.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Private advices from Manilla reached here yesterday and are verified by an account that appears in the Hong Kong press. The news contained in the communication deals with the attack by the Spanish on the Noveleta isthmus and the attempt of the Spanish to dislodge the insurgents in Cavito and Vijo. At the end of the campaign, which lasted until Nov. 14, the Spanish authorities sent out dispatches reporting that the attack had been successful, and that the rebel loss was very heavy. The Spanish claimed to have lost about 35 killed and 100 wounded. It is now learned that the great victory that the Castilians predicted ended in ignominous defeat. The rebels hold Noveleta against warships and troops. The Spaniards retired after suffering heavy loss.

The Spanish forces under General Rios were divided into two brigades of 7000 men each, supported by the Spanish gunboats on the bay.

The insurgents numbered about 12,000, but they were strongly entrenched in Cavito and Noveleta. At the head of the Noveleta peninsula the ground was honeycombed with rifle pits and the town defended from asault by earthworks planted with rapid-fire cannon and several pieces of heavy artillery.

Rios attacked the first line of redoubts at Noveleta and the rebels fell back to the main line of Dononze, a mile in the rear of the picket line. The Spanish had their plans well arranged. They placed the cruiser Castilla close in shore and their guns covered the attacks of the royal troops. The cruiser's shells reached the outside defenses of the city.

The fight started at 9 o'clock Sunday, Nov. 8, and by 1 o'clock in the afternoon the insurgents' outer works had been evacuated.

Then a general attack followed, Rios following the main body of his first brigade against the rebel entrenchments. The gunboats opened fire on the enemy, but owing to bad gunnery failed to cause any damage to the defenses. The Cardella, the closest to Cavito, was fully six miles from the town, where her shells fell short, owing to the extreme elevation given to the ship's cannon. When Rios' men reached the insurgent works a terrific fire was opened on them. They marched forward resolutely until the rifle pits commenced to belch forth fire, mowing down the front ranks. The column faltered, then retreated slowly under heavy fire. The Spanish troops were in the open and subjected to the full effect of the fire. Had the rebels' gunnery been good Rios' forces could have been slaughtered. The morning of the 9th the Spanish were back in their camp again, and had repaired the remnants of the first brigade. The second brigade had suffered very little. The steamers Isabelle I and a small transport were used to take the wounded to the port of the peninsula. At least 500 were brought from the battlefield.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, Rios prepared and headed a second attack on Noveleta. He threw his entire army against the redoubts and was routed with heavy loss in the first attack. The gunboats failed to aid the troops to any extent, their shots falling short. The Spanish did not attempt to renew the action, but waited until the morning of the 14th, when a weak effort was made to flank the rebels, the failure of which ended the fighting for the time being.

A Madrid dispatch says: In order to insure the success of the next loan, the government is straining every nerve to conceal the true situation in the Philippines. The whole colony is in revolt, and scattered bodies of Spanish troops have been hemmed in by the rebels. It is rumored that a certain proportion of German reserve officers are in the insurgent ranks.

Yachtsman Drowned.

New York, Dec. 23.—News was received in this city yesterday of the death, by drowning, of Robert M. Taylor, first officer of the steam yacht Reva, on which Joseph Leiter, brother-in-law of G. M. Curzon, British under secretary of state for foreign affairs, is now cruising in southern waters. On Saturday the yacht was off Brazo, Santiago, near the mouth of the Rio Grand. It was a dangerous task to put the pilot ashore there, so Mr. Taylor himself undertook to row the man ashore, instead of having some of his men do so. The boat was overturned and Mr. Taylor was drowned. Mr. Taylor was 23 years old and unmarried. He was the son of Captain D. T. Taylor of Brooklyn, who is well known in shipping and yachting circles.

Eighty Turks Killed.

London, Dec. 23.—An Athens dispatch to The Daily News says that a desperate fight occurred on Sunday at Prophetelias, in the Olympus district, between a Turkish detachment, 80 strong, conveying an investigation committee of eight Turkish judicial officials, and a Greek insurgent band under Veloudas. The whole of the Turkish committee and 24 of the Turkish detachment were killed, the insurgents only losing four killed.

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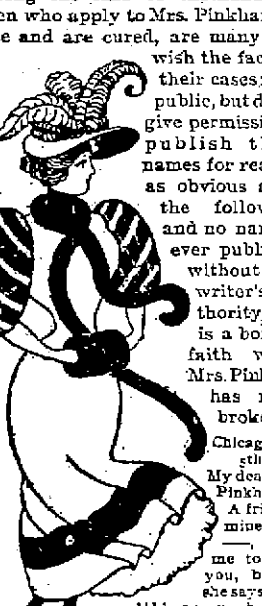

Chicago, Jan. 5th, '95.

My dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

A friend of mine, Mrs. ——, wants me to write you, because she says: "you did her so much good." I am desperate. Am nineteen years of age, tall, and weighed 138 pounds a year ago. I am now a mere skeleton. From your little book I think my trouble is profuse menstruation. My symptoms are * * * * etc.

Our doctor (my uncle) tells father that I am in consumption, and wants to take me to Florida. Please help me! Tell me what to do, and tell me quickly. I am engaged to be married in September. Shall I live to see the day? * * * * LUCY E. W.

Chicago, June 16th, '95.

My dear Mrs. Pinkham:—

This is a happy day. I am well and gaining weight daily, but shall continue the treatment and Vegetable Compound during the summer, as you suggest. Uncle knows nothing about what you have done for me, because it would make things very unpleasant in the family. I would like to give you a testimonial to publish, but father would not allow it. * * * * I shall be married in September, and as we go to Boston, will call upon you. How can I prove my gratitude? * * * *

LUCY E. W.

Just such cases as the above leak out in women's circles, and that is why the confidence of the women of America is bestowed upon Mrs. Pinkham.

Why are not physicians more candid with women when suffering from such ailments?

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FROM OUR 5 O'CLOCK EDITION Of Yesterday.

BOYS DROWNED

Started to Skate Up River to Lowell.

YOUTHS RESIDED IN NORTH ANDOVER.

The Ice Not Yet Formed on Merrimack.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Lawrence, Mass., Dec. 22.—Herbert L. Stiles and Alfred Weeks, two North Andover lads are missing and it is feared are drowned. They went skating yesterday afternoon and their companions said started off with the expressed intention of skating to Lowell on the Merrimack. It is believed they must have broken through the ice.

FEAR CAUSED HER

To Jump Three Stories Sustaining Fatal Injuries.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Lizzie Fuller, aged 17, who declares she heard some one trying to open her bedroom door last night, became frightened and jumped from a third story window and was probably fatally injured internally.

Lower Fares.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—An ordinance providing for four per cent. fares, on street cars in this city, recently passed by the council, has been vetoed by Mayor Swift and the council last night sustained the veto.

Cuban Libera.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Sedalia, Mo., Dec. 22.—A mass meeting last night adopted resolutions calling upon Missouri's representatives in congress to support the Cameron resolution.

Anarchists Sentenced.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Barcelona, Dec. 22.—An additional batch of anarchists was sentenced today. Forty were condemned to twenty years imprisonment and 27 to eight years each.

HOT FROM THE WIRE.

Losses by the failure of the National bank, Illinois, will fall upon 1971 individual depositors and 350 national, state and private banks included, are the treasurers of the city of Chicago and Cook county, aggregating nearly a million.

TWO ASPHYXIATED.

In a Boston Hotel This Morning—A Supposed Suicide.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 22.—The employes of the Hampton house, this morning, detected a strong odor of gas and upon investigation found it escaping from a wide open jet in a room occupied by a man and woman who registered last night as Donald Donavon and wife.

The woman was dead and the man unconscious. Both were apparently about 25 years of age. Letters in the man's pocket were addressed to Miss Alice Hannigan, 55 Warren street, Concord, N. H., and Dennis Hurley, 43 Penacook street, Concord, N. H.

THE C. B. CLUB.

Held a Successful Complimentary Dance Huntington Hall.

A crowded hall was what the C. B. club entertained at its highly successful complimentary dance in Huntington hall last evening. Joe Hibbard's orchestra with Prof. Borjes among the players furnished music.

The success of the affair was due to the efforts of the following officers: General manager, P. J. St. George; assistant, A. Lavigne; floor director, J. Tetrault; assistant, A. Dorrelle; aids, E. Bellows, Aime Leroux, J. Bedard, A. Chamberland, Thomas Duberger, C. Beaulieu, P. Micheland, C. Bourret.

Hibernians Elect

Division 2, A. O. H. held a largely attended meeting last evening, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, James D. Breens; vice president, M. T. McMahon; recording secretary, T. J. McDermott; financial secretary, John J. Lynch; treasurer, Michal W. Spillane; physician, L. J. McDonough; sick committee, T. J. Finnegan, Jeremiah Hurley-Patrick F. Considine; standing committee, Bernard Champion, John Cox, Timothy J. Lynch, Patrick O'Loughlin, Daniel Mullane; finance committee, John Nelson, Dennis Lane, and Patrick Donohoe; spiritual director, Rev. Wm D. Joyce, O. M. I.

Boxing Bouts at New York.

New York, Dec. 22.—Charley Strong, the plucky colored boxer of Newark, N. J., fought gamely for 19 rounds against big Bob Armstrong of Chicago at the Broadway Athletic club last night, before the big fellow succeeded in landing a left swing which knocked the smaller man to the floor of the ring and the referee counted him out. Strong's work was very clever, as he was out-classed both in height, weight and reach. Armstrong looked as big as a giant in comparison to the Jersey man, and the result might have been different if Strong were a few inches taller. Two preliminary 10-round bouts were well contested. Jack Waldron of Trenton defeated Eddie Loeber of Brooklyn, and Frank O'Neil, colored, of Chicago fought to a draw with Jack Daly of Wilmington.

Durrant Case Brief.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—What may prove to be the beginning of the end of the Durrant case took place in chambers in the supreme court yesterday. The brief on the motion for a new trial of Theodore Durrant was filed, although there has been much discussion as to whether it could now be filed, the usual time to do so having elapsed. However, Durrant was finally granted a re-submission. Attorney General Fitzgerald also filed a brief in reply to defendant's counsel. Durrant is now given 10 days in which to file a brief replying, after which the case will be finally decided.

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It does days too.
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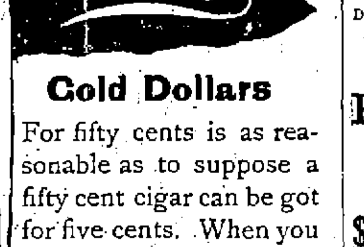

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FOR SALE—Good boarding and lodging house near John street. All new furniture and in good shape. 60 boarders. This is an excellent location for business. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

ALL LADIES having a few hours leisure each day should write me at once, regarding pleasant home work which easily pays $18 weekly. This is no deception and will certainly pay you to investigate. Reply with stamped envelop, Mrs. S. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich.

WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred F. Low's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 417 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

MOODY STREET BRIDGE HOUSE LOTS.

New Bridge will be completed in a few days. The electric road is being laid across the bridge. Sewers, gas, city water, etc. 70 houses have been built in the last 8 months, and a large number are being built at the present time. Don't delay, choice lots are going quick, prices are low, only 10, 12 and 15c. per foot, easy monthly payments. Call for plans, terms etc. On the land every afternoon.

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Length of day—9h. 4m.
Moon rises—3:02 p. m.
Full sea—1:15 a. m.; 1:30 p. m.
Forecast for New England: Heavy snow; warmer on the coast; northeasterly gales.

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Building materials are very low. You can get all mason's supplies of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street, at low figures.

Catholic Prayer Books.

A large assortment of the latest bindings, pearl rosaries, and other religious articles suitable for a christmas present at Murphy's 18 Appleton street.

Burn Wilson's Coal.

Harry Murray Slated.

It is stated that Harry Murray, formerly clerk in the post office and now engaged in the insurance business, will be appointed first assistant to the new purchasing agent.

Varnum School Exercises.

The pupils at the Varnum school had Christmas exercises this afternoon. There is no hall in the school and so each room had its own program. In several of the rooms there were Christmas trees.

Y. M. C. A. Concert.

A grand concert and recital will be given at the Y. M. C. A. hall tomorrow evening, when an elaborate program of music and readings will be given. There is a large demand for tickets.

THE RIPLEY SUICIDE.

The Victim Was Favorably Known Around Lowell.

Those who were acquainted with Willard L. Ripley, the Nashua man who suicided in the Gallagher house, were surprised to hear that he had ended his life by his own hand, and believe that if he took poison he did it by mistake, intending to take a sleeping potion.

Those who knew him at the Franklin house state that he was always happy and light hearted and never without money.

He lived at 29 Bridge street before going to the hotel to live. He was veteran of the late war.

Dolls and Toys.

We have got an elegant assortment of these necessary holiday goods at very low prices. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 68 Merrimack street.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

CRISP GOSSIP.

Ex-mayor Peabody, who celebrated his 88th birthday anniversary Monday, cast his first presidential vote for Jackson. He has been voting for mayors of Lowell ever since the city was incorporated.

One cannot help laughing when he sees Col. Chadwick riding on the first platform of an electric car, and Herb. Webster on the rear platform of the same car.

What would you think of a cat for a Christmas present? One arrived here from Vermont last night and it was billed to a prominent Lowell family.

James Gallagher, the well known Forester, who has been ill for several months past, and has one operation performed on him, underwent another operation performed on him a few days ago at an hospital in Norfolk, Va., and is now reported on the road to recovery.

Christmas shoppers crowd the stores these days, but merchants say that while the purchases are as numerous, they are not so expensive as last year.

It is advisable, when the roads are covered with snow, as at present, for a driver to give other vehicles as much room as possible. Yesterday I saw several carriages collide because of the slippery roadway.

One of the peculiar sights noticed on Central street, last evening, was that of a man wearing ear-laps riding a bicycle. He was probably on his way to the river to have a ride on the ice.

A large crowd enjoyed skating on the river at the inlet just above the Aiken street bridge. One would hardly think that the ice was thick enough there as yet, but it appears to be all right.

Of the 32 Massachusetts mayors just elected, eight are lawyers, six are engaged in mercantile pursuits, three are engaged in mechanical trades, two are bakers, two are manufacturers, two are builders two are in the real estate business, and seven are classed as follows: A physician, an editor, a newspaper correspondent, a banker, a broker, a civil engineer and an undertaker.

Negro Lynched

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 23.—Joe James, colored, was lynched at Woodstock yesterday. He attempted to assault Fannie Smith, aged 17, while she was on her way to school. The negro was pursued 10 miles and brought back and identified by the girl. He confessed, and said he wanted to steal the girl's lunch.

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Sarsaparilla
Is the original Sarsaparilla, the standard of the world. Others have imitated the remedy. They can't imitate the record:
50 Years of Cures

TAKEN TO WORCESTER.

The Sanborn Insane Men Taken to the Asylum Yesterday.

The remarkable case of the Sanborn brothers of East Billerica, who went violently insane at their homes on Sunday night, is still unexplained and is without parallel in local history. The brothers always prided themselves upon their manner of living. Neither has drunk intoxicating liquors nor used tobacco in any form, while they always spent their evenings at home engaged in the pursuit of knowledge.

Their father states that they were deep students and it is very probable that overstudy caused their mental derangement though their simultaneous actions are unaccountable. Mr. and Mrs. Sanborn, the estimable parents of the young men, have the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends.

When leaving the house yesterday the boys lost their pugnacious bearing and both burst into laughter, acting as if in high glee. At the police station they maintained silence and made no trouble when taken to the Worcester asylum.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

Monthly Bills Were Approved Yesterday Afternoon.

The committee on commons met yesterday afternoon and approved bills. The superintendent of commons was authorized to employ any help necessary during the winter months.

The committee on sewers and lighting approved bills. So did the committee on fire department, but it could do nothing else, as a quorum was not present.

The committee on accounts of the school board approved bills yesterday. The salary list amounted to a little over $23,000.

The committee on streets met yesterday afternoon and in the absence of the aldermanic members, Councilman Hunton was chosen chairman pro tem. Bills were then approved.

WITNESSES AFRAID

Of the Mafia in a Case at Springfield, Mass., Yesterday.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 23. — The witnesses in the case of Vincenzo Cavellero, charged with the murder of Francisco Virgioia, have, with one exception, disappeared, owing to the fear of the Mafia. The case came before the jury yesterday, when the commonwealth discovered that all the witnesses, save Mrs. O'Brien, who has no fear of the Mafia, had left town. They were not under bonds. An attempt will be made to have the case continued to the May term of the grand jury.

PRODUCED THE FLESH

Unusual Testimony Offered in a Police Court Assault Case.

Many and varied are the articles brought into police court and offered as testimony in the trial of criminal cases. Wearing apparel of all kinds and descriptions is brought in frequently while now and then an injured woman holds up with righteous indignation to His Honor's inspection a handful of tresses torn from her head by some pugnacious neighbor of her own sex, while now and then, Supt. Sabine for instance, an injured man produced a few yards of beard ruthlessly plucked from its native chin by some lawless disturber.

But the strangest bit of testimony of all came out yesterday in the case of Patrick Smith for assault on his mother-in-law, Ann Fahey, a case which outdid the merchant of Venice. In the celebrated play the pound of flesh is bargained for but not paid over while in yesterday's case the woman assaulted alleged that her son-in-law had bitten her over the eye, and it is said, showed Judge Hadley a small piece of torn skin with a portion of the eye brow protruding from it which Smith separated from her face in the fight.

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Be successful at home or you doubt it.
The statement of a manufacturer is not convincing proof of merit.
But the endorsement of a friend is.
Now supposing you had a bad back,
A Lame, Weak or Aching one.
Would you experiment on it?
You will read of many so-called cures.
But they come from far-away places,
It's different when the indorsement comes from home.
Easy to prove that it is so.
Home indorsement is the proof that backs every box of Doan's Kidney Pills.
Read this case:
Mr. John W. Mevis of 448 Riverside street, is an old gentleman 73 years of age, whose good health was remarkable up to three years ago when kidney troubles began. He says: "My back hurt me terribly, and in moving about after sitting awhile, it was excruciating. Urinary difficulty followed—at first frequent desire to urinate was very troublesome, and afterward the urine was scant, with pain in voiding. I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Ellingwood & Co.'s, Merrimack and Central street, and they helped me from the start and today I am free from pain and all urinary disorder is corrected. You can use my name as one who can vouch for the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills."
Price, 50 cents per box; for sale by all dealers or mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.
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Wednesday-Thursday to be Two Day's Markdown.

$5000 Worth of
HANDKERCHIEFS
Almost Given Away.

20 dozen Handkerchiefs, Fancy Border, 2c.
100 dozen Handkerchiefs, Special, 5c.
200 Ladies' Swiss Handkerchiefs, Scalloped Edges and Elegantly Embroidered, 10 and 12c., were 25c.
50c. Handkerchiefs, special, 25c.

JEWELRY
Purchased by us for Spot Cash from a heavily overstocked manufacturer to be sold at 40 cents on the dollar. All kinds. All prices.

TOILET SETS CUT IN HALVES
Brush, Comb and Mirrors, handsomely carved, 47 cents.
Brush, Comb and Mirrors, in colors and white, were $3, special $1.47.
Fifty other styles reduced at same ratio. All goods sacrificed in the same way. Don't miss them. Come early. Fancy Arm Elastics, Atomizers, Perfumes, Umbrellas, Tags, Sterling Silver, Holiday Umbrellas, all put in at the great mark down.

Ladies' Kid Gloves
SPECIAL—Our $1.75 Gloves in Fancy Backs, Finest Quality Kid, in with the rest of the markdown $1.39. 1200 Aprons at 25c. to close. Find them on our second floor. MILLINERY has tumbled with the rest of the goods. One-half the Prices. Best values in the city the last two days before Christmas.

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Two special noteworthy bargains these two days in

Leather Goods.

LOT 1. Extra quality Boston Bags, sizes 10 and 11, made from good wash fabrics, assorted mixtures, leather bottoms and leatherette lining, enameled frame,

47 Cents

LOT 2. Superior quality Boston Bags, made from best Scotch Wool sides, extra wide bottoms, calf lining, with pocket, sizes 10 and 11, your choice,

98 Cents

We are showing an elegant assortment of high class goods in seal, alligator and grain leather, in trimmed and untrimmed Bags from

$1.50 to $3.75

Our line of combination pocketbooks cannot be surpassed anywhere. It comprises all grades of fancy leathers in the newest colors, also real seal, alligator, lizard and Russian grain; books suitable for Xmas gifts, from

50c. to $2.75

On a counter adjoining, you, will find our

Jewelry Department.

Wherein is displayed Ladies' and Children's Rings, Stick Pins, Manicure Sets, Brooches, Hat Pins, Sterling Silver Bag Tags, Ladies' and Gents' Shirt Front Sets and Cuff Sets, in Sterling Silver, rolled and Solid Gold Sterling Silver Chain Bracelets, Sterling Silver Pin and Pencil Holders, Sterling Silver Veil Pins, Sterling Silver Souvenir Spoons, Sterling Silver Garter Buckles, Sterling Silver Hair Ornaments.
For two days, all at

Half Price

In the centre of our store are counters filled with

Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas,

In every grade of silk and serge, and every conceivable kind of handle.

A beautiful assortment of Ladies' Petticoats, in silk, moreen, sateen, flannel and felt knit, goods of every kind, including fascinators, skirts, sacques and capes.

Our Art Department.

Displays articles to beautify and ornament every room in the house, and you can buy them for two days at

Half Price

Our Basement Dept.

Is the gift hunter's paradise. Beautiful dinner ware, exquisite tea sets, elegant toilet ware, chocolate sets, ice cream sets, fish and salad sets, every kind of fancy china pretty lamps, silver ware, glass ware, elegant vases, and a beautiful variety of bric-a-brac, for two days all at

Half Price

In the Basement Annex

You will find dolls, toys, games, music boxes, plush and celluloid goods, fancy frames and pictures, bisque figures, etc., and in this particular part of the house

33 Cents

Will do the work of $1.00 these coming two days.

In the Cloak Dept.

You will find fur coats and collarettes, shawls of every kind, muffs, aprons, books, pictures, easels, infants' wear, wrappers and cotton underwear, for two days, all at

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In the Centre Aisle

Opposite Merrimack street entrance, you will find the most complete Handkerchief Dept. in Lowell, also a perfumery and Small Ware Department, where everything will be offered for two days at

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In the Furniture Department

You will find chairs, tables, desks, book cases, cabinets, tabourettes, couches, Rattan Furniture, Tete-a-Tete Sets and various other articles, for two days, at

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TEXTILE SCHOOL

The First Term Will Begin February 1, 1897.

MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS HELD YESTERDAY.

Prospectus to be Issued in a Few Days.

A meeting of the directors of the Textile school was held yesterday in the board of trade rooms, A. G. Cumnock presiding.

It was one of the best attended they have held.

The several committees appointed to look after the various arrangements necessary in getting the school ready, reported that matters are progressing finely. A good portion of the machinery is in position and more is constantly arriving.

The three rooms to be used in the school work will be ready by Feb. 1, 1897 when it is proposed to begin the first term.

A prospectus roughly drawn to give an outline of the work proposed for the benefit of those wishing to become students.

Mr. Brooks will have the minor details ready in a few days so that the pamphlet may be issued. It sets forth that the first term will open Feb. 1st and that the admission examination will be of such a nature that a grammar school student should find no difficulty in passing it. The age will allow young men of 14 and over to enter.

The expense for day students, while not definitely fixed, is likely to be about $5g for the whole term. But for evening students, a charge of from 50c. to $5 a term, according to the number of branches studied, and just enough to cover the cost of materials used, will be made.

Already applications for admission have been received from different parts of the state.

Mr. Brooks, the new principal, is hustling to add all who wish to enter. His address is 322 East Merrimack street.

Burke's Smoke Talk.

The Burkes held a smoke talk after the regular meeting last night. During the evening the following musical programme was rendered: vocal solos, Messrs. M. M. Miller, J. Redmond, David Martin Peter Clune, J. Tierney, M. J. Maguire and Master John Welch. There were piano solos by Arthur Mills; piccolo solos by M. J. Callerin; violin solos by Thomas Sullivan; and selections by the Columbia quartet.

Rev. Fr. McDonough was present during the evening and made a brief address.

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LATEST

ACCIDENT AND DESTITUTION

THE MOTHER INJURED AND TAKEN TO HOSPITAL.

While Three Children Are Helpless at Home —A Case for Benevolence.

A remarkably sad case of poverty has come to light through the efforts of Constable McManus.

Mary Martin is a poor hard-working widow whose husband was drowned about a year ago. She has worked night and day since then to support her three small children.

Last night while she was going to buy some wood she slipped on her icy steps, and falling, broke her leg.

She was taken to St. John's hospital this morning.

Mrs. Lyons, a charitable woman residing on Cross street, near Marion, has taken the children.

Let those who wish to do good at Christmastide remember those poor children.

Another family was left homeless by eviction yesterday and was provided with a free tenement by Rev. Fr. O'Brien.

WAS NEARLY DROWNED

MICHAEL CRAIG FELL INTO WAMESIT CANAL.

He Was Rescued By Richard Lyons by Means of a Rope.

Michael Craig, aged 39 years, had a narrow escape from drowning last evening. Mr. Craig is employed at the United States Bunting company and last evening he went skating on the Wamesit canal near the factory and broke through the ice. His cries for assistance attracted Richard Lyons who procured a rope and threw it to Craig.

The latter caught hold of the rope and was dragged out.

Eliot Debating Society.

The regular meeting of the Eliot Debating society was held last evening in the rooms of the Y.M.C.A., and the following officers were elected:

President, Jas. Aspinall; vice president, A. E. Ellis; recording secretary, Mr. Hersome; treasurer and chaplain, L. P. Laporte; financial secretary, Fay Aldrich; sergent-at-arms, G. R. Barclay.

The resolution: Resolved that the U. S. should recognize the independence of Cuba," will be taken up for discussion at the next meeting, Jan. 12, 1897.

Mr. Albert Remembered.

A number of the friends of Undertaker Joseph Albert met last night in St. Joseph's hall and presented him with a fine fur overcoat. By mistake a lady's coat was sent, but this was rectified.

Schools Closed.

The evening schools closed last night for the holidays. The High school closed this noon and the grammar schools this afternoon to be closed till January 4. The evening schools open again next Monday.

Don't Forget

the auction sale at 2 o'clock at 34 Central street. Fancy chairs, pictures, rugs, silverware, piano lamps, etc., etc. Ladies especially invited and seats will be provided.

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VOTE TO RAISE SALARIES

Gala Night at the Meeting of the Common Council.

Councilman Webster Opposing Increase in Salaries Votes to Increase All—Lively Tilts—Lunch and Adjournment After Midnight.

The common council of 1896 had an inglorious finish.

Never before has this popular branch of the city council resorted to such farcical actions as marked last night's council meeting.

However good may have been the intentions of the majority of the councilmen, the effect was destroyed by the conduct of several of them.

Even Councilman Hounsell, acting as presiding officer, was obliged at one period of the meeting to remark: "We have made this meeting a burlesque already. Let us not put ourselves on record as a lot of clowns."

And even President Webster, the leader in the remarkable display of generosity by republican councilmen, in reply to a sally of a fellow member, was compelled to acknowledge that "We were jubilant in some cases."

The animus of the entire affair was evident. A special drive against Mayor Courtney and City Solicitor Qua is responsible for the remarkable action. The councilmen were late in gathering at the city hall, and when they arrived they were invited to a joint caucus in the Councilmanic Committee room.

The Caucus.

When the councilmen reached the committee room, they were called to order by Councilman Hounsell.

"I would like to know who called this caucus?" asked Mr. White.

"Well, I did not exactly call it, but I agreed to it," answered Mr. Hounsell. Mr. Webster was chosen to preside. It was stated the caucus was called to talk over the salary committee's report and to decide upon a plan of action.

Mr. George favored the committee's report and opposed the aldermanic amendments. Mr. Nay said if anybody's salary is going to be increased, every employe in the city should be paid more."

"Well, a resolution to increase the pay of all city laborers will be introduced tonight," said Mr. Webster.

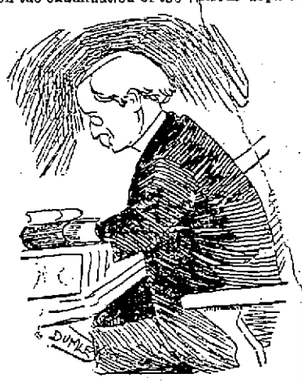
The discussion then became general and it was evident a special and particular drive was being made against the city solicitor.

"I believe that all this discussion should be in public and in the council chamber, and not behind closed doors. For that reason I intend to leave," said Mr. Miskella.

And then the caucus was broken up without accomplishing anything.

The Meeting.

The report of the committee on accounts on the examination of the various department accounts was accepted. Auditor Whidden's report was also read and ordered on file.



Clerk Owen called the roll.

The amendment to the ordinance providing for a method of keeping accounts in the various departments was referred.

The sum of $2500 was transferred to the credit of the appropriation for an addition to the Plain street school.

On motion of Councilman Reynolds a ballot was taken for sinking fund commissioner. It resulted as follows:

Fred A. Buttrick, 23; John E. Sullivan, 1; Thomas J. Mulligan, 1; and Mr. Buttrick was declared elected.

"I rise to a point of privilege," persisted Councilman White.

President Webster started to read the minority report of the committee appointed to investigate the charges of repairs on city hall boilers, when Councilman Hounsell asked for a recess of 10 minutes to allow the committee on ordinance to report on the amendment, providing for a method of keeping accounts in the various departments. He withdrew this motion and requested the president to appoint a committee of one to confer with the chairman of the committee on ordinance and request him to call a meeting of that committee. Councilman Hounsel was appointed on the committee.

President Webster then finished reading the minority report and it was accepted.

A Sweeping Increase.

President Webster then introduced a resolution increasing the pay of laborers in the several city departments 25 cents a day on and after Jan. 1, 1897. When it had taken its second reading Councilman White asked if that matter should not come before the committee on salaries.

"No, these men are paid by the day and are not regarded as regular salaried officials," said Pres. Webster.

President Webster pounded with his gavel for Councilman White to come to order.

"How does the pay here compare with that in other cities?" asked Mr. White.

"In Boston street laborers are paid $2 a day; here they get $1.75," answered Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. Hartwell wanted to know if school janitors would be effected, but could get no information.

Mr. J. O'Hare advised making the increase. Pay these men $2 a day, for they deserve it," he said.

Mr. Nay favored increasing the wages of all persons in the employ of the city, both male and female hands.

Mr. Reynolds said he hoped every one would vote to give the laborers a fair day's pay.

"I am glad this resolution was introduced," said Mr. Miskella, "and I wish it had come in earlier in the year. These men lose several months during the year, so that the pay they receive per day, while it may appear considerable, does not average much in the year. I trust that every councilman will favor it."

Mr. White advised going slow in the matter. The resolution took its final passage, Badger, Drewett, Dunn, Eastman, George, Hallett, Hunton, Hounsell, Miskella, Nay, J. P. O'Hare, S. O'Hare, Pendergast, Pihl, Reynolds, Rivet, Smith, Sullivan, Thornton, Webster in favor, and Eveleth, Hartwell, Jacobs, Penn and White against.

"I give notice of reconsideration at the next meeting," said Mr. White.

"Your notice is out of order as we will have no other regular meeting this year," said Pres. Webster.

"Mr. President—Mr. President," shouted Mr. White, but the chairman paid no attention to him, confining himself to remarks with the clerk.

"The chair has the revised list of jurors," said Pres. Webster. Then he proceeded to call for a vote on a motion to appoint a committee of the council to revise the jury list.

During this time Mr. White remained on his feet. He was persistent. Webster completely ignored him. The other councilmen gazed in wonderment on the scene and several shot hard glances at the president. The tilt now become livelier. Mr. White stood firm and showed not the least excitement.

COUNCILMAN JAMES F. MISKELLA.
Who will be senior member of the lower branch and will call them to order in 1897.

"Mr. President," he shouted again.

"Councilman White, come to order," yelled Webster, as he pounded his gavel hard on the block of marble.

"I am in order, and I shall continue to address the chair until I am accorded a hearing," answered Mr. White.

"Come to order, I say" thundered Webster, with another heavy blow of the gavel.

"If the chair will permit me, I will say I am in order," was Mr. White's courteous reply.

"I would suggest the appointment of a committee to revise the jury list," suggested Pres. Webster, transferring his attention to the body and again ignoring Mr. White.

Mr. Dunn was on his feet in a minute. Thoroughly disgusted and maddened by the president's action, he demanded the attention of the chair. Being recognized he moved that Mr. White be given a hearing.

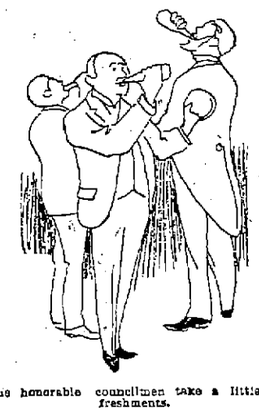
Mr. Thornton seconded the motion, and it passed.

Mr. White explained that he gave notice of reconsideration because he has been given to understand there would be another special meeting this year. Under these conditions he wanted to know if his notice of reconsideration would not be in order."

"Your notice is not in order, for we do not know that we will have another meeting. Your motion is made to interfere with business and to railroad business. I still adhere to my decision."

"My notice is made to prevent railroading," answered Mr. White, "and I appeal from your decision."

The chairman's decision was sustained, Drewett, George, Hallett, Hounsell, Hunton, Miskella, Nay, J. O'Hare, S. O'Hare, Pendergast, Penn, Pihl, Reynolds, Rivet, Sullivan, Thornton, Webster in favor; Badger, Dunn, Eastman, Eveleth, Hartwell, Jacobs, Smith and White against.



The honorable councilmen take a little refreshments.

Messrs. Hallett, Nay and Drewett were appointed a committee to revise the jury list and were given a 10 minutes recess.

They reported that many councilmen submitted names, but none of them was accepted as the committee could not decide that they are voters, and could not properly place them.

Several councilmen stated that they submitted lists of names of voters, with residence and occupation, and they should be placed on the list.

The committee was given another recess and this time they reported the names submitted by the councilmen. The report was accepted.

Councilman Badger moved to hold another meeting next Tuesday evening. The motion was defeated.

The Salary List.

The report of the salary committee was taken up. Mr. George moved to place the salary of the mayor at $3000. The motion passed.

Mr. Hounsell's motion to pay the city treasurer $3000 a year passed.

The amendment to pay the city solicitor $3000 was carried by a vote of 13 to 11.

Pres. Webster moved to pay the day and night policemen $3 a day. Mr. Hartwell moved to amend that the salary of sergeants of police be also increased 25 cents a day. The motion as amended was carried, Mr. White alone voting against it. The pay of the matron of the police station was also increased to $800 a year.

Mr. Hunton moved that the salary of the superintendent of streets be $2500 per annum. The motion was carried 18 to 10.

Mr. George moved that the salary of the superintendent of public buildings be increased to $2000. This motion was also carried 14 to 5.

On motion of Mr. J. O'Hare the salary of the superintendent of water works was increased to $2000.

Mr. Hunton moved to pay the superintendent of city scales $500 a year, Mr. Badger moved as an amendment that the salary be $205. The original motion was carried.

It was voted to increase the salaries of fish warden and poundkeeper to $50 per annum.

Following out his argument offered in behalf of policemen Mr. Webster moved to increase the pay of permanent firemen, drivers, engineers and foremen 25 cents a day. This motion also passed.

Mr. George moved to fix the salary of purchasing agent at $2500 a year. Mr. Eveleth moved as an amendment to make it $3000.

Mr. Jacobs thought it time to call a halt. With the present salary amounts we cannot appropriate a sufficient amount to meet our expenses. The time is not opportune to increase salaries. We are too generous; don't let our generosity stifle our sense of justice.

Mr. White ably seconded Mr. Jacobs' remarks. "I protest against the spirit of levity shown in regard to salaries. The public may charge us with being recreant to our oaths of office, if we continue in this direction."

"I am ashamed of the action of this council tonight," said Mr. Rivet, "and I regret that I attended this meeting. I was made speechless by some of the acts of the council tonight."

"This looks too much like a mock session" said Mr. Hartwell, and, the best thing the council can do is to rescind its action on this salary question."

Mr. Webster moved as an amendment to an amendment to place the salary of purchasing agent at $2400 and this passed.

When the question came on passing the salary resolution, as amended, Mr. Hartwell wanted to have the council rescind its whole action. "Vote against the resolution and it will have the same effect as a motion to rescind," suggested Pres. Hounsell who had taken Mr. Webster's place in the chair.

Mr. Webster rose to defend the council's action. He recited the hardships and daring ventures of firemen and policemen. "Why not increase their pay when you vote an increase to a man who comes to a carpeted office, never soils his hands with ink, remains till one o'clock, then goes to Lakeview to bowl and afterwards enjoys a hot supper.

"See the policemen," he said, "out in a rainstorm and with the snow falling around their ears."

The council then took a recess and enjoyed lunch and cigars.

After recess Pres. Webster took the chair. The salary report as amended was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Badger asked to have his vote changed from the affirmative to the negative on the resolution to increase city laborers' pay.

Mr. Nay said that he had entered the common council from the highest motives. He had sought retrenchment, and the head of the departments had combined to thwart the appropriations. The people had gone to the caucuses and turned down the men who had sought retrenchment in their favor. He believed that the people favored the combinations, and so he had voted for the increases. He believed that he was doing right in so voting, though he did not believe it in the city's interest.

Mr. Hounsell, Mr. George and President Webster, speaking of the action of the committee on salaries, stated that in voting for salaries they considered the position, not the person. "If I considered the person City Solicitor Qua would get just $2 a year," said President Webster.

President Webster then delivered his valedictory to the council, and especially thanked the democratic members. He then declared the council adjourned.

President Webster's Statement.

President Webster told the reporters that his reason for introducing the resolution to increase the city laborers' pay was to place Councilmen Smith, White and Hartwell on record. "Whatever I introduce they oppose, and I wanted to see how they stood. I also desired to place the mayor and aldermen on record. If I introduced a resolution not to blow the roof off this building they would oppose it."

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LOCAL NOTES.

See locals on page 3.

Call at F. M. Barney & Co.'s for Christmas supplies of all kinds. See ad.

A little daughter has been born to Councilman and Mrs. John E. Sullivan.

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A GENERAL TIE-UP

Of Boston Street Cars is Imminent.

WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW MORNING

If the Road Does Not Make Concessions.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 23:—The conductors and motormen of the West End street railway held meetings in all divisions last night which continued into the morning hours. They voted to demand formal recognition of their union by President Little. The men have a more serious grievance in the refusal of the officers to make the usual agreement as to the scale of wages or hours.

President Little's attitude has also tended towards ignoring the conference committee of employes. At noon today it was found that the result of last night's ballot was largely in favor of a tie up and the executive committee decided to give President Little until three o'clock this afternoon to sign the agreement. If he refuses, a tie up will be ordered commencing at five o'clock tomorrow morning. No message was sent to the directors as this morning's session and they allege that if there is any trouble the labor leaders are at the bottom of it. The officials must make concessions or else a strike will be ordered.

FIRE IN MONTREAL

Destroys Three Fine Residences—Loss Estimated at $100,000.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—A fire this morning destroyed the residences of Frank May, the wholesale dry goods dealer; John Gault, superintendent of the Merchants' bank, and Judge Doherty. The loss is estimated at $100,000.

PLAGUE INCREASING

As a Result of the Famine—No Medical Treatment.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Bombay, Dec. 23.—It is officially stated that the plague is increasing here and at Karach. Many deaths are reported and no medical treatment is provided for a large portion of the sufferers.

Co-operative Brotherhood.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

La Grange, Ind., Dec. 23.—The Brotherhood of the co-operative commonwealth is being established in Indiana and Michigan. It is a new movement among working men to assist in the establishment of co-operative colonies throughout the country.

Instantly Killed.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 23.—Frank McDonald, aged 25, a brakeman on the New York, New Haven and Hartford road, was struck by a bridge at Roxbury this morning and instantly killed. The body was terribly mutilated.

Slavery Abolished.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Among the earliest reforms of the French government in Madagascar is embodied a decree abolishing slavery.

HOT FROM THE WIRE.

The gun boat Annapolis, for practice cruiser at the Annapolis Naval academy, was successfully launched at the Crescent shipyards, Elizabeth, N. J., at 10.30 this morning.

The European powers have formed a plan for forcing the Sultan to grant reforms.

DEATHS.

PIERCE—Elmer Pierce, aged 43 years, died last evening at his home, 77 Railroad street. He leaves a wife and two children.

HILLERY—John F. Hillery, aged 45 years, died this morning at his home, rear of 182 Market street. He leaves a wife, father, brother and sister. He was a member of the F. of A.

CLEARY—Bridget Cleary, aged 84 years, died last night at her home, 64 Livingston street. She was an old resident of this city. Funeral Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

John J. Donahoe, driver of the city wood team, has received a live Christmas present—it's a girl.

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The Reform club at its meeting last evening, made arrangements for its 21st anniversary on Jan. 13.

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THE SUN IS

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Hon. Geo. Fred Williams has taken up his residence in Boston, and will undoubtedly be a candidate for mayor on the first opportunity.

We sympathize with Dr. Holbrook, who came within ten votes of being elected alderman. Such a contest is like catching a train where a minute late is as bad as an hour.

Had the people of Haverhill only known that licence would be carried by 29 votes, they would have secured three times that number in preference to paying their fares for a year to Lawrence to buy their drinks.

The Spanish butcher, Weyler, is working many strategies to overcome the Cubans. It would be a great stroke of generalship for Maceo to appear at the head of a well equipped army to attack Weyler or to storm Havana.

The professional nurses of Connecticut are forming a league to keep up the wages and protect their business. They also claim that such a league would save the lives of many patients who are killed by inexperienced nurses.

Senator Hill emerges from his obscurity to offer a resolution for recognizing the belligerency of Cuba. That would not be quite so serious as Cameron's, and will not be any more binding upon the president. Cleveland will do as he pleases.

Queen Lili is on her way to the White House to make another appeal to the president in behalf of getting back her old dilapidated throne. Her majesty should recollect that we do not hold her throne in custody, and that we want no part of the paraphernalia of Hawaiian royalty.

Secretary Olney's coup d'etat will kill not only the Cameron recognition of Cuban independence, but also every form of recognition that may be proposed. Olney and Cleveland are masters of the situation, so far as the Cuban question goes, at the present time, and there is no danger that they will take any radical step that would cause complications with Spain.

The republicans of the country secured a victory in the national election by the free use of money. They are now turning their attention to securing a majority in the next senate of the United States by buying up votes in the legislatures of the doubtful states. They want four senators in order to have a working majority in the senate, and to Mark Hanna has been entrusted the work of buying the votes necessary to secure the election of the requisite number of senators. North Carolina, Kentucky, Washington and South Dakota are the places where Hanna is expected to operate. It will be interesting to see the result of his efforts in this direction.

Senator Allen of Nebraska has enlivened the closing scenes of congress by introducing a resolution providing for the investigation of the use of money in the recent election. Any committee that would go to the bottom of this question would have an endless task on hand, but we do not expect that Hanna has left his tracks uncovered so that a United States committee can follow them and calculate the amount of money he spent in buying up whole states and municipalities for the republican party. The first place that committee should strike is out in Texas, where the grand jury was on the point of indicting Mark Hanna for attempting to buy out the vote of the state.

THE NEW BRAND OF PROSPERITY.

The evidences of the McKinley prosperity are not very obtrusive these days. We hear of a reduction of wages here and there as at White Bros., at Pilling's, at the Lowell Hosiery and several other places. We hear of mills closing down, of banks failing and of the possibility of a new bond issue—these and these only are the evidences of the McKinley brand of prosperity. The manufacturers who shouted most loudly for McKinley's election, who promised that everything would be all right if that were accomplished—even these confidence shouters are now reducing wages; and that is the evidence around us today of McKinley's prosperity. Where is Reed's confidence, where is the great impetus to manufactures foretold as a result of McKinley's election? Are the contingent orders all run off? We supposed they would keep the factories running for six months; but they proved more delusive than contingent. What is the remedy, what is the resource now sought by the employers? It is to reduce wages. That is what they call prosperity and that with confidence according to republican doctrinaires is all that any working man needs. Edward Atkinson should now come forward to supplement the McKinley managers and show the people how to live well on 13 cents a day by using his cooking apparatus.

First class job printing at this office.

CONGRESS SHIFTS

From the Cuban Question to Railroads

SENATOR VEST DISAPPOINTED HIS HEARERS.

Information Regarding Killing of an American.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The senate was unexpectedly diverted yesterday from Cuba to the Pacific railroads. An unusually large crowd was in the galleries, anticipating that Mr. Vest would continue his speech begun Monday on the attitude of Mr. Olney toward the Cameron resolution. The interest this had awakened was shown by the presence in the diplomatic gallery of First Assistant Secretary of State Rockhill, who is next in rank to Mr. Olney in state affairs, and who has had special charge of the reports coming from consuls in Cuba. The foreign delegation also was well represented.

The large audience in the senate galleries was considerably disappointed yesterday over the failure of Senator Vest to make a speech on the president's prerogative on Cuban recognition, and the consequent failure of Senator Hill to reply to him.

"I don't know, said Senator Vest, "how the impression got out that I would speak today. I never said that I would."

"I certainly can't reply to Senator Vest if he does not speak," said Senator Hill.

The senate became aware of this condition of affairs early in the day, but the galleries remained in ignorance during a great part of the session, many retaining their seats in the belief that they would be regaled with such a debate as the present session has not witnessed. The diplomatic and private galleries of the senate were both well filled.

The senate opponents of the Cuban resolution assert that the Missouri senator's failure to talk is due to the fact that he has been induced to look into authorites which do not sustain his view of the question, and that he has concluded to investigate further before speaking. The question is one requiring close attention to precedents and to constitutional points, and all recognize that it is necessary to proceed with care.

Soon after the session opened Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota called up his resolution relative to the trust notes of the Pacific railroad. The senator made a savage onslaught on the Pacific railroad system in general, charging that a combination of private interests was seeking to absorb the roads and close out the government.

This opened the entire question, and Mr. Morgan of Alabama followed with a bitter arraignment of the Pacific railroads, charging them with fraud and crime on a gigantic scale. The speech lasted until shortly before 2 o'clock, when the morning hour expired, thus sending over the Cuban question until after the holidays.

Mr. Call secured the adoption of a resolution asking the secretary of state for information relative to the killing of Charles Gavin, an American citizen, by the Spanish forces in Cuba. Further than this, the session was uneventful, and the senate adjourned for the holiday recess, lasting until Jan. 5.

The house yesterday passed the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and then adjourned for the holiday recess. This is the first time in the history of congress that the legislative bill has been passed before the holidays. The day was devoted to the annual debate of the civil service law, and as usual the attempt to strike out the provision for the commission was overwhelmingly defeated. There was a good deal of threshing over old straw and sparring for political points. Mr. Brosius, chairman of the civil service committee, defended the law. Others who participated in the debate were Messrs. Baker (Rep., N. H.), Walker (Rep., Mass.), Williams (Dem., Miss.), Bowers (Rep., Cal.), and Neil (Dem., Ark.). Mr. Settle (Rep., N. C.) made the motion to strike out the paragraph relating to the civil service, which was defeated, 29 to 62. The bill, as passed, carries $21,660,369, or $36,379 more than the current bill. During the morning hour a bill was passed authorizing the railroads of the Indian Territory to change their alignments.

Hattinger Case at Dedham.

Dedham, Mass., Dec. 23.—Yesterday afternoon the government closed its case against Joseph Hattinger, his wife, Mrs. Marion Hattinger, and Mrs. Susan A. Holt, charged with attempting to steal money from Mrs. Nancy Gillett, with the testimony of the complaining witness. The defense immediately put Mrs. Hattinger on the stand. She told the story of her life, including the strained marital relations which followed her husband's meeting with Mrs. Holt. Witness admitted she believed her husband was unfaithful, but she forgave him. She denied she ever said anything about money and Mrs. Gillett.

Providence City Sued.

Providence, Dec. 23.—George E. Cranston, the owner of Pleasant Bluff, a well-known summer resort, has brought suit for $30,000 against the city of Providence. He claims that by reason of dredging the Providence river to obtain clay the city has made his bathing beach unsafe, and has ruined his business.

Engineer and Fireman Killed.

New York, Dec. 23.—Engineer John W. Bogart and Fireman U. G. Halleck, of an Erie local train out of Jersey City last night, were killed near Fish Creek, on the Hackensack meadows, by the derailing and ditching of their engine. The accident was caused by the breaking of an axle of a freight car.

Locked Children In House.

Portsmouth, O., Dec. 23.—Two small children of Mrs. Christine Carlisle at Wakefield, Tommy, aged 2, and Ruth, aged 4, were burned to death Monday night. The mother had locked them in the house and had gone to a neighbor's, and the house caught fire in her absence.

Insurgents Overcome.

Paris, Dec. 23.—A cable message received here yesterday from General Galliena, the French commander-in-chief in the Island of Madagascar, states that the insurrection in the Imerina districts is virtually over, and adds that few bands are hiding in the forests.

TIRED MOTHERS find help in Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives them pure blood, a good appetite and new and needed STRENGTH.

CUBAN WAR NEWS

Gomez Preparing to Avenge Maceo's Death.

HIS SON WAS ALSO KILLED BY SPANIARDS.

Weyler Destroying Everything in His Path.

Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—A special from Key West says: Passengers on the Havana boat last night say preparations are being made with secrecy for a forward move. Three battalions of newly-landed troops left by water Sunday for the east. It is supposed that this is part of Weyler's coming campaign. Gomez is advancing rapidly, and it is thought that Weyler, if possible, will prevent his coming to the gates of Havana. It is stated from Cuban sources that the Cuban leader is wild over the murder of his son and his beloved chief lieutenant, and is burning to revenge their fall. The Cubans in the army are infuriated also. Dr. Zertucha is a marked man, too, and it is reported that a move has been made to abduct him. He is now in a fortress some miles from Havana with a strong Spanish guard. His trip to Spain will be postponed, the Cubans say, as if he goes over there they have friendly hands in that country who will avenge Maceo and young Gomez.

A detachment of troops at the plantation of Progreso, in Matanzas, has killed the insurgent leader Bernardino Veldes Villajou.

Captain General Weyler arrived at 7 o'clock yesterday morning at Mariel, and was at Artemisa by 10 o'clock, whence he proceeded by coach in company with General Arolas, Chief of Staff Escribano and General Weyler's son, who is an aide to his father.

General Weyler has ordered that the cattle should be gathered up immediately by the guerillas in order to deprive the insurgents of their food supply.

General Solano has raised the siege of the village of Mayagagua, in Santa Clara province, and has in turn attacked the insurgents who retreated from the town with losses.

Alcohol Drinkers Die.

Mattoon, Ills., Dec. 23.—Two deaths, the result of alcohol poisoning, occurred in this city Monday. Several other young men are under the care of physicians and more deaths may be announced. A number of young men, ranging from 17 to 22 years of age, and belonging to a club having rooms in a business block, started in on a holiday celebration last Sunday. One young man supplied the crowd with crude alcohol, and the youths compounded a mixed drink of alcohol, water, sugar and cinnamon drops. About half a gallon of alcohol was used and several gallons of the mixture was consumed. Monday John Madison died. Late last evening Bert Wellman died in convulsions. The investigation of the coroner's jury brought to light the fact that the alcohol used had been taken from the Mattoon gas works, and is known as wood alcohol, considered to be a deadly poison if taken in any quantity. Physicians express surprise that any of the young men survived.

Princess Eloped With Violinist.

London, Dec. 23.—According to a Brussels dispatch to The Chronicle the action for divorce by Prince Joseph of Chimay and Caraman, in Belgium, against his wife, who was formerly Miss Clara Ward, daughter of Captain Ward of Detroit, was commenced on Monday before the civil tribunal at Charleroi. The case was heard behind closed doors. The Princess of Chimay and Caraman, who had been a brilliant figure in Parisian society, eloped in November last with a Hungarian gypsy musician, who was accustomed to play in the cafes of Paris. She had been married to Prince Joseph when she was only 17 years old, and her great wealth and beauty gave her a social leadership in her circle. The troubles between her husband and herself have been of public notoriety for some time past. She is the mother of two children.

Cattle Shipment Port.

Boston, Dec. 23.—The question of a port through which to send Canadian cattle to Europe is constantly in agitation, and the prospective settlement upon Boston as that port has brought out much comment, and not a little criticism by rival ports. Secretary E. F. Preston of the chamber of commerce says that "If Boston did not export Canadian cattle they would not be exported and thereby come into competition with the American cattle in England. Regarding the reference to Canadian cattle being tinctured with contagious pleuro-pneumonia, the evidence that this disease has been thoroughly stamped out in Canada, as it has been in the United States, is so overwhelming that no reasonable doubt exists in any unprejudiced mind as to its extinction."

Played Chess Against Twelve Men.

New York, Dec. 23.—H. N. Pillsbury, the chess expert, gave a complimentary simultaneous performance at the Metropolitan Chess club last night, playing against 12 men on four boards, three men consulting on each. The rooms of the club in the Central Opera House, East Sixty-seventh street, were crowded by spectators. The performance began at 9 o'clock, the result being that Pillsbury won all four games.

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THE EVIDENCE IN

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Boston, Dec. 23.—After seven days consumed in putting in testimony against Mate Bram of the barkentine Herbert Fuller in trying to prove him guilty of th murder of Captain Nash, the government late yesterday afternoon rested its case, and today the defense will begin the work of trying to prove that Bram did not commit the deed.

Immediately after the opening of court Judge Webb denied the prosecution petition to put in testimony to show that Bram had proposed to kill the captain of another vessel on which he was a sailor. The court held that such testimony was entirely foreign to the charge on which Bram was being tried.

This is considered a serious blow to the prosecution, as no evidence has been introduced at the trial to show a motive for the murder of Captain Nash.

A number of seamen were recalled and testified that unless the steersmen constantly moved the wheel the vessel would either fall off or come up into the wind in a very short time.

The last witness of the day was Medical Examiner Harris of this city, who testified that the instrument which caused the fracturing of the skull and the piercing o fthe brain of Captain Nash have been made with a weapon of the nature of an ax.

Mussulman Deputy Elected.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The Paris newspapers are full of gossip about Dr. Grenier, who has been elected deputy for Pontarlier, as a Radical. Dr. Grenier is a rigid Mussulman, and he intends to wear the turban and the burnous in the chamber of deputies. His election was due to bad management by the moderate Republican committees. He stood for the election at the time as "The prophet of God." He is highly educated, a skilful debater and is a medical doctor. He never refuses a consultation and never takes a fee, and gives away his whole fortune. He advocates free marriage and polygamy, and practices all the Mussulman rites, including naked bathing in the river. The newspapers jocularly ask whether he will do the same in Paris.

Poisoned Buckwheat.

St. Louis, Dec. 23.—Five members of the family of F. M. Roberts, a fireman on the Missouri Pacific railway, were poisoned by eating cakes made of prepared wheat flour yesterday. Four of them are at the city hospital, and it is doubtful if they will recover. They are Mrs. Mary Roberts; Ollie, aged 18; Frank, 16; John, 6, and Lizzie, 8 years. George Roberts, 10 years old, found a package of prepared buckwheat flour in the alley Monday night. He took the package home, and his mother made buckwheat cakes for breakfast with the above result.

Fitz Coming East.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Bob Fitzsimmons, accompanied by his family, started east last night. Fitzsimmons will proceed leisurely to New York, where he will sign the articles of agreement for his fight with Corbett.

John L. in Court.

Boston, Dec. 23.—John L. Sullivan sat in the poor debtors' session of the municipal court to explain why he had failed to settle a florist's bill. The case will be further heard Jan. 11.

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LARGE BEQUESTS

Left by Henry L. Pierce of Boston.

HAS LEFT TWO MILLIONS TO INSTITUTIONS.

Employes and Friends Generously Remembered.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Seldom does a rich man leave behind him such a list of princely legacies for the public good and deserving charities, and in recognizing the services of faithful employes and the worth of loyal friendships, as did the late Hon. Henry L. Pierce, once mayor of Boston, an ex-member of congress, and the business head of the Walter Baker company, as shown by his will, which yesterday was probated. He was a man of great wealth, unmarried, and, after looking liberally after his closest relatives, disposed of the rest of his thousands in a way that was not only remarkable, but a way in which everybody will say did honor to the man, and was consistent with his ways in life.

The executors of the will are George Putnam and William L. Putnam, and the filing was in the Suffolk county probate court.

The amount of the public bequests contained in the will—including those for art, educational and charitable institutions—is nearly $2,000,000; to the officers and employes of the corporation of which he was the head he left nearly another million; and to his brother, Edward L. Pierce, and his family, which includes eight children, he gave nearly $1,500,000.

Perhaps the bequest of the greatest particular interest was that by which Thomas Bailey Aldrich, the author, is given the summer residence of Mr. Pierce at Ponkapoag, with all its furniture and belongings, together with $200,000 in money. The conditions of this gift are as follows: "To Thomas Bailey Aldrich, the author, and in case of his death before me to his wife, and in case of the death of himself and wife before me, to his children, share and share alike, the house and barn and about two acres of land, or about the same, as is fenced in at Ponkapoag. Also all the furniture of every kind contained in the house occupied by me as my summer residence at Ponkapoag, and also to the said Thomas Bailey Aldrich and his wife the sum of $200,000; and if both of them die before me I give this sum to the children of Thomas Bailey Aldrich, share and share alike."

The rest of Mr. Pierce's fine farm on the southern edge of the Blue Hills reservation of the public park system is given, subject to certain life estates, to the Metropolitan park commission, to be added to the city's park lands. This system already includes a large tract which Mr. Pierce gave during his life. The farm is known as the Ponkapoag farm, near Houghton's pond. There are about 400 acres, part of which is under cultivation and part heavily wooded. It skirts the shores of the Ponkapoag pond and lies within the limits of the towns of Randolph, Milton and Canton. It is considered a very valuable piece of property.

These are Mr. Pierce's gifts to the Walter Baker company:

Charles F. Aldrich	$100,000
Talbot B. Aldrich	100,000
I. Frank Howland	100,000
H. C. Gallagher	100,000
Frank S. Hall	50,000
James M. Bugbee	50,000
William B. Brooks	50,000
Charles A. Pope	40,000
Robert M. Hall	40,000
John E. Dodge	40,000
Harry D. Delano	40,000
Richard Folsom	40,000
Ethan A. Cushing	40,000
Total	$790,000

Mr. Howland is the president of the Walter Baker company, and has been Mr. Pierce's confidential clerk for many years. Messrs. Charles F. Aldrich and Talbot B. Aldrich are directors of the corporation. Mr. Gallagher is vice president of the corporation. Mr. Cushing is superintendent of the works at Milton. Mr. Dodge is treasurer of the corporation. Mr. Hall is the head of the New York agency. Mr. Brooks is the clerk of the corporation. Mr. Bugbee has been closely associated with Mr. Pierce nearly all his life. He was clerk of committees in city hall, was mayor's clerk, was on the civil service commission, and in more recent years has held a responsible position with the Walter Baker company.

These bequests and those to officers and employes mentioned above take precedence over public bequests, which are as follows, and which are to bear proportionately any deficiencies that may occur.

To the Methodist, Baptist, Unitarian and Catholic societies of the village of Dorchester Lower Mills, where he lived, and the Episcopal society of Ashmont, $3000 each; to the town of Stoughton, $25,000, for the purchase of books for a free public library; to Harvard college, $50,000; to the Massachusetts general hospital, $50,000; to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, $50,000; to the Museum of Fine Arts, $50,000; to the Massachusetts homeopathic hospital, $50,000; to the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, $20,000; to the Children's hospital on Huntington avenue, $20,000; to the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, $20,000; to the New England Hospital for Women and Children, $20,000; to the Home for Aged Men on West Springfield street, $20,000; to the Home for Aged Women, at 108 Revere street $20,000; to the Home for Aged Couples, on Walnut avenue, corner of School street, $20,000; to the Home for Colored Women, on Myrtle street, $5000; to the Channing home, on McLean street, $5000; to the Boston Home for Incurables, on Dorchester avenue, $20,000; to the Boston Children's Aid society, $5000; to the Society for the Collegiate Instruction of Women in Cambridge, $20,000; to the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, $20,000; to the Boston Lying-In hospital, on McLean street, $20,000; to the Commandery of the State of Massachusetts, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, $5000; the residue that may remain after paying all the legacies is to be divided equally among the Museum of Fine Arts, the president and fellows of Harvard college, the Massachusetts general hospital, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Massachusetts Homeopathic hospital.

The foregoing bequests foot up to about $5,000,000. Mr. Pierce was taxed $36,500 on real estate in Dorchester, and his personal property was assessed at [illegible],000. His State street property was valued at $88,000.

RUNS ON CHICAGO BANKS.

Depositors Frightened by the Illinois National Failure.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The failures of Angus & Gindele, general contractors, the American Brewing, Malting and Elevator company, the George A. Weisse Malting and Elevator company and George A. Weisse individually, all of these being due to the collapse of the National Bank of Illinois and small runs on three banks, were the echoes yesterday of the bank failures. Runs were made on the Garden City Banking and Trust company, the Hibernian Savings bank and the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, and none of the runs was of much consequence. The officers of the Garden City Banking and Trust company had expected that a run would be made upon their institution and were ready to meet it. They threw open the doors of the bank at an hour earlier than usual, as they said they wanted to get the run out of the way so that they could transact their usual business without being disturbed. Quite a crowd of spectators had gathered at the doors before they were opened, and as soon as the bank was ready for business the depositors gave the paying tellers all they cared to do. The run kept up with energy for over an hour and then died away. At the close of the banking hours the officers of the institution announced that during the day the amount of money taken in was treble that paid out, and the bank was declared to be in better shape than at the opening of the doors in the morning.

The run on the Hibernian Savings bank was of a short duration, as the officers declined to pay any deposits unless given the legal 60 days' notice. They said that this was not because they were not prepared to pay all depositors in full, but because they wished to avoid embarrassment to smaller banks, who might not be prepared to pay all their depositors at once, and who might be placed in an embarrassing position if the stronger banks were paying all demands for time deposits.

There was a slight run on the Illinois Trust and Savings bank shortly after it opened yesterday morning, the similarity of its name and the national bank having led some depositors to believe that the former was embarrassed. During the run in 1893 President John J. Mitchell of the Illinois Trust gave orders to pay all depositors who called for their money and was criticised by other bankers for doing so. Yesterday morning, as soon as it became evident that there was likely to be a crowd in the bank, instructions were given the tellers to serve the customary 60 days' notice, but to pay all depositors who could show that they wanted $100 of their money for a legitimate purpose. The result was that the score or more of people who had lined up at the paying tellers' windows soon dispersed. Before the close of banking hours the excitement had completely died out. The giving of the notice was sanctioned by the clearing house, and the object was (the Illinois Trust being the strongest savings bank in the city) was to give the smaller ones the opportunity to point to its action as an excuse for giving the notice themselves, which they did, and thus effectually stopped a run at any of the savings banks. The Illinois Trust and Savings bank is said to have $9,000,000 in cash on hand, and was yesterday loaning money instead of, as in 1893, calling loans to meet the demands of the savings depositors.

"Thou Shalt Not Approach."

Rochester, Dec. 23.—Rev. David Kirkpatrick, pastor of the Second Universalist church, this city, was arrested yesterday on the charge of, without authority, attempting to exercise the functions of a police officer. He is accused of accosting a woman on the street and asking permission to accompany her. She refused, whereupon he threatened to arrest her. Kirkpatrick acknowledged talking with the woman, but states it was a method adopted by him for the purpose of obtaining material for a series of sermons on the Ten Commandments relating to the social and moral question.

Remains of Kate Field.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—The remains of Miss Kate Field arived yesterday from Honolulu on the steamer Belgic. The casket was enclosed in a wooden covering and placed aboard the steamer at Honolulu without any display. As soon as the steamer docks here the remains will be taken to the crematory. Arrangements are now being made for memorial services to be held in Trinity Episcopal church. The ashes will be sent for final interment to Mount Auburn.

May Have Drowned Himself.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 23.—A coat belonging to Fred Pinkus was found on the banks of the canal late yesterday afternoon. Pinkus disappeared last Sunday evening and has not been seen since. It is thought that he committed suicide, as he has said several times of late that he intended to do away with himself. He was about 45 years of age. The canal will be dragged by police today.

Women Walk Across Continent.

New York, Dec. 23.—Mrs. S. Eaby and her daughter passed through Morristown, N. J., last night on their way to this city from Spokane, Wash. The two women have walked the entire distance, and have covered 4500 miles. They left Spokane on May 5. They expect to reach New York about 10 o'clock today.

Amnesty For Armenians.

Constantinople, Dec. 23.—An irade has been issued granting amnesty to all Armenian prisoners except those sentenced to death for murder. The terms of the amnesty include about 100 Armenians under sentence of death for other offenses than that of murder.

To Provide Work For Unemployed.

Lynn, Mass., Dec. 23.—To set the unemployed of Lynn at work 10,000 was raised at the meeting of the board of trade last night. This sum is subscribed to establish a shoe industry for the unemployed. Of the total sum P. R. McLain offered $5000.

Railroad Change Denied.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—General Manager Hayes of the Grand Trunk denies the story published by a Detroit paper that A. B. Atwater, superintendent of the Grand Trunk at Detroit, has been appointed superintendent of the Central Vermont.

"George Harris" Starving.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 23.—Mayor Simrall has received a letter from Charles Umbers of Dunedin, New Zealand, informing him that a subscription of £70 had been made there and would be sent to the mayor as a Christmas gift for George Lewis Clark, who is understood to be the George Harris of Mrs. Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Clark has been on the verge of starvation for some time.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

OF THE PILGRIMS

Their Landing Celebrated by N. E. Society.

MANY PROMINENT MEN ARE PRESENT.

Sec'y Herbert's Eulogy of Our Navy.

New York, Dec. 23.—The New England society of New York city celebrated the 91st anniversary of its existence, and the 276th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers, with a banquet at the Waldorf last night. The dinner was served in the magnificent new ballroom, which was beautifully draped with bunting and flowers. On the walls were banners bearing the arms of the New England states. There was also a strong suggestion of the yuletide season in the garlands of mistletoe, holly and evergreen.

A novel and humorous feature of the banquet was the costumes of the waiters, which were made to represent New England farmhands. They were attired in blue jean overalls, checkered jumpers and broad brimmed straw hats.

Covers were laid for 500. At the main table were Henry F. Howland, first vice president, who presided, because of the sickness and consequent absence of President Charles C. Beaman; Edward J. Phelps, ex-minister to England; Secretary of the Navy Hilary A. Herbert, General Nelson A. Miles, General Horace Porter, General Thomas Ruger, J. P. Morgan, Cornelius N. Bliss, Horace White, Edward King, J. Kennedy Todd, Commander Montgomery Sicard, U. S. N.; Hamilton W. Mabie, Stewart L. Woodford, Mayor Strong, Elihu Root, Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage and H. L. Burnett.

The following toasts were responded to: "Forefathers' Day," by E. J. Phelps; "Our Debt to the Pilgrim Fathers," Rev. Dr. M. J. Savage; "Some New Englanders in Georgia," Colonel R. M. Johnson of Baltimore; "New England Literature," H. W. Mabie; "The Results of Puritan Influence," General Horace Porter; "The Navy," Secretary Herbert; "The Army," General Miles; "The Civil Compact and the Church Covenant of England," Arthur Lord, president of the Pilgrim society of Plymouth; "The City of New York," Mayor Strong, and "Our Sister Societies," J. Kennedy Todd, president of St. Andrew's society.

Secretary of the Navy Herbert made the principal speech of the occasion. In opening he referred to the fact that he served in the Confederate army, and was proud of the heroism of his countrymen on both sides. America is now unseparably united and moving on toward a glorious future. He then said:

"This occasion, Mr. chairman, and the toast to which I am to respond suggest that if the first blood of the resolution was shed on New England soil, so also did New Englanders shed the first blood at sea. It took the news of the battle of Lexington three weeks to travel to Machias, Me. Almost immediately volunteers seized upon a sloop, armed her, and after a bloody struggle captured an armed English schooner, the Murgaratta, that was lying off the port. This battle was an outburst of the spirit of liberty and an omen of the glorious future that awaited American seamen. Our little continental navy, during the first two years of the Revolutionary war, destroyed 791 British sail, and throughout the whole of that long struggle the new flag that had appeared upon the ocean was carried with untarnished honor through every combat. New England furnished a large proportion of the sailors and her due share of the officers that made this glorious record.

"During the revolution we had few vessels that could contend in equal combat with the ships of Great Britain. In the war of 1812 we were in little better condition, but in the battles of Lake Erie and Lake Champlain, and in the famous duels at sea that took place between British and American vessels, our little navy made a record that has kindled the fires of patriotism in the hearts of millions of American people from that day to this. To that war New England gave, among others, Isaac Chauncey, David Porter, Oliver Hazard Perry and Isaac Hull."

Mr. Herbert referred to the fact that he had succeeded in having Admiral Farragut's flagship, the Hartford, preserved, but that the famous old Constitution was rotting at Portsmouth. He appealed to the society to secure the preservation of the Constitution, that coming generations might draw patriotism from her old spars and ensign.

"Our new navy was begotten in the throes of the Civil War. The Merrimac and the Monitor were the creations, both, of American genius. The famous battle between these two vessels put the shipyards of Europe to work on new designs and modern navies resulted. Other nations had made wonderful forward strides, when, 12 years ago, we began to reconstruct our navy, and now we have in commission 42 ships, with an aggregate displacement of 137,000 tons, all, with insignificant exceptions, modern vessels, and ship for ship and gun for gun we may proudly challenge comparison with the world."

In conclusion the secretary recounted the work of the navies of the Union and the Confederacy during the Civil War, and said:

"The historian of the future will not fail to dwell with admiration upon the achievements of the armies of the Union, but when he comes to look for results and to trace those to their cause, in my opinion, after recounting and weighing the effects of the many victories won under both flags, he will record that it was the sword of the navy thrown into the wavering balance that turned the scale in favor of the Union.

"In conclusion, let me say that I trust we are not yet done with building our new navy—that the program began a dozen of years ago is to be carried on until we shall have a navy worthy in the number of its ships, as it is in the character of those we already possess, of the great people it represents—a people who, during the first 70 years of their existence, outranked all others in the world."

Christmas Wedding.

St. Johnsbury, Vt., Dec. 23.—Amid a mass of shining holly and under the mystic mistletoe a pretty home wedding took place at "The Bluffs" here at noon yesterday. The bride was Miss Martha E. Ross, daughter of Chief Justice Jonathan Ross, and the groom was John W. Titcomb, superintendent of the United States fish hatchery and the Vermont state fish commissioner.

SPAIN IS ROUTED

By the Rebels in Philippine Islands.

CASTILIAN HEAVY LOSSES IN THE BATTLE.

Cen. Rios Ceased Operations For Awhile.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Private advices from Manilla reached here yesterday and are verified by an account that appears in the Hong Kong press. The news contained in the communication deals with the attack by the Spanish on the Noveleta isthmus and the attempt of the Spanish to dislodge the insurgents in Cavito and Vijo. At the end of the campaign, which lasted until Nov. 14, the Spanish authorities sent out dispatches reporting that the attack had been successful, and that the rebel loss was very heavy. The Spanish claimed to have lost about 35 killed and 100 wounded. It is now learned that the great victory that the Castilians predicted ended in ignominious defeat. The rebels hold Noveleta against warships and troops. The Spaniards retired after suffering heavy loss.

The Spanish forces under General Rios were divided into two brigades of 7000 men each, supported by the Spanish gunboats on the bay.

The insurgents numbered about 12,000, but they were strongly entrenched in Cavito and Noveleta. At the head of the Noveleta peninsula the ground was honeycombed with rifle pits and the town defended from asault by earthworks planted with rapid-fire cannon and several pieces of heavy artillery.

Rios attacked the first line of redoubts at Noveleta and the rebels fell back to the main line of Dononze, a mile in the rear of the picket line. The Spanish had their plans well arranged. They placed the cruiser Castilla close in shore and their guns covered the attacks of the royal troops. The cruiser's shells reached the outside defenses of the city.

The fight started at 9 o'clock Sunday, Nov. 8, and by 1 o'clock in the afternoon the insurgents' outer works had been evacuated.

Then a general attack followed, Rios following the main body of his first brigade against the rebel entrenchments. The gunboats opened fire on the enemy, but owing to bad gunnery failed to cause any damage to the defenses. The Cardella, the closest to Cavito, was fully six miles from the town, where her shells fell short, owing to the extreme elevation given to the ship's cannon. When Rios' men reached the insurgent works a terrific fire was opened on them. They marched forward resolutely until the rifle pits commenced to belch forth fire, mowing down the front ranks. The column faltered, then retreated slowly under heavy fire. The Spanish troops were in the open and subjected to the full effect of the fire. Had the rebels' gunnery been good Rios' forces could have been slaughtered. The morning of the 9th the Spanish were back in their camp again, and had repaired the remnants of the first brigade. The second brigade had suffered very little. The steamers Isabelle I and a small transport were used to take the wounded to the port of the peninsula. At least 500 were brought from the battlefield.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, Rios prepared and headed a second attack on Noveleta. He threw his entire army against the redoubts and was routed with heavy loss in the first attack. The gunboats failed to aid the troops to any extent, their shots falling short. The Spanish did not attempt to renew the action, but waited until the morning of the 14th, when a weak effort was made to flank the rebels, the failure of which ended the fighting for the time being.

A Madrid dispatch says: In order to insure the success of the next loan, the government is straining every nerve to conceal the true situation in the Philippines. The whole colony is in revolt, and scattered bodies of Spanish troops have been hemmed in by the rebels. It is rumored that a certain proportion of German reserve officers are in the insurgent ranks.

Yachtsman Drowned.

New York, Dec. 23.—News was received in this city yesterday of the death, by drowning, of Robert M. Taylor, first officer of the steam yacht Reva, on which Joseph Leiter, brother-in-law of G. M. Curzon, British under secretary of state for foreign affairs, is now cruising in southern waters. On Saturday the yacht was off Brazo, Santiago, near the mouth of the Rio Grand. It was a dangerous task to put the pilot ashore there, so Mr. Taylor himself undertook to row the man ashore, instead of having some of his men do so. The boat was overturned and Mr. Taylor was drowned. Mr. Taylor was 23 years old and unmarried. He was the son of Captain D. T. Taylor of Brooklyn, who is well known in shipping and yachting circles.

Eighty Turks Killed.

London, Dec. 23.—An Athens dispatch to The Daily News says that a desperate fight occurred on Sunday at Prophetelias, in the Olympus district, between a Turkish detachment, 80 strong, convoying an investigation committee of eight Turkish judicial officials, and a Greek insurgent band under Veloudas. The whole of the Turkish committee and 24 of the Turkish detachment were killed, the insurgents only losing four killed.

Union Market.

Judging from the crowd of people that throng this popular market you would almost think that they are giving poultry away. But that is not so; it is the quality and low prices that bring the crowds. This market was never better stocked than it is this week and the clerks are all old timers at the business. If you are not an expert at selecting a turkey, chicken or goose, they will assist you and if they tell you that it is young, fresh and sweet, you can depend upon it that it is as they say. The price will be all right too, so do not rack your brain trying to find the best and cheapest place to trade, but go at once to the Union Market for big bargains.

Aldermen Did Not Meet.

The aldermen did not meet last night as a quorum was not present. Four aldermen waited till 8.30 but the fifth man never came so all thoughts of a meeting were abandoned and the mayor stated that he would call a special meeting this evening.

COLONEL PINDAR SUED

HUGH McCORMACK ENTERS ACTION AGAINST COLONEL.

His foreman, John Leland, Also Involved—Plaintiff Holds Them Responsible for Injuries Received—City Solicitor Qua Will Defend the Suit—That Wood Yard Trouble—Extra Wagons Will Be Set to Work—Additional Expense for the Department.

Suit in the sum of $5000 has been entered against Supt. Pindar of the city farm and his foreman, John Leland.

B. D. O'Connell, Esq., brings the suit in behalf of his client, Hugh McCormack. McCormack served a 30 days' sentence at the city farm last July. During his time there McCormack was put to work storing hay in the barn.

There is a dangerous scuttle hole in the barn, and Leland claims he warned McCormack to keep away from that hole. Leland had occasion to leave the barn, and when he returned he learned that McCormack had fallen into the hole and broken his arm.

These facts were reported to the overseers of the poor at their meeting last night by Supt Pindar.

They voted to refer the matter to City Solicitor Qua.

Sec. Courtney informed the overseers that the city wood yard employes cannot deliver the orders for wood and coal as they come in because of the great distance from the city that the wood yard is located.

Several overseers spoke on the matter, and Mr. Gilbride advised relocating the wood yard at its former place. If this is done, he said five loads of wood and coal can be delivered in the time it takes to deliver one load now.

It was finally voted that Supt. Pindar be empowered to put on one or more extra teams to keep up with the orders for coal and wood as they come in.

Supt. Pindar stated that the wood yard cost $3500 less this year than last year.

The overseers then approved bills and adjourned.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Observed Last Night.

A half a century of happy married life is an experience with which but few couples are blessed and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson of 161 School street are of the few for yesterday they observed the 50th anniversary of their marriage by a golden wedding.

The receiving hours were from 2 to 5 and 7 to 10 o'clock in the afternoon and evening and they were assisted in receiving by their children.

Among those present were Mr. Coolidge Johnson, Mrs. Harriet Cole, Mrs. Fred Edgell and Mrs. Walter Parker of Lowell and Mrs. Frank O. Ireson of Laconia, N. H. Another member of the family, Mrs. Horace Bennett of Milltown, N. B., was unable to be present.

A poem composed for the occasion by Miss Lucretia T. Howe of North Rumford, Me., was read and refreshments served day and evening. The couple have 12 grandchildren.

LOWELL MACHINISTS

Organized a Labor Union in Building Laborers' Hall.

The local branch of the International Association of Machinists met last night for the purpose of perfecting an organization of Lowell machinists.

The meeting was called to order by District Organizer Weeks of the Federation of labor. He spoke of the great benefit of trades' unionism and District Organizer Cowgill of the International Association of Machinists pointed out the fact that machinists are poorly paid because they lack organization.

RIPLEY'S REMAINS

Will be Sent to Manchester for Interment.

The remains of Willard L. Ripley will be forwarded to Manchester, N. H. for interment. His brother, a livery stable keeper of Worcester viewed the remains at Undertaker O'Donnell's warerooms this morning and instructed him to prepare the body for burial.

The contents of the bottle found by Ripley's side in the hotel was examined yesterday afternoon, and was found to be chloral hydrate, a deadly poison. The death certificate was signed soon afterwards by Dr. Irish, who pronounced the case one of suicide.

ECCLESIACTICAL COUNCIL

In Session at the First Congregational Church Today.

The ecclesiastical council is holding a meeting in the First Congregational church this morning, and two propositions are to be made from the First Trinitarian side, showing that there is a sentiment in favor of an adjustment of the matter, even if an adverse decision were made.

The meeting is not public and the result is awaited with interest.

BOWLING NEWS.

Les Miserables bowled in their old time form last night and put up 2517 against 2480 for the Bankers.

The Parkers defeated the Swift and Baileys, 1975 to 1757.

At the Highland club last night Team Five defeated Team Thirteen by a score of 2179 to 2016.

Team Four defeated Team Twelve by a score of 2301 to 2146.

BILLERICA MILLS.

Faulkner's Will Change to a New Grade of Goods.

The Talbot mills close tomorrow and will not open till Monday. Faulkner's mill will also close for the same period as it is to put in twelve new looms for the purpose of changing to a new grade of goods.

KINDERGARTEN SCHOOLS.

Held Christmas Entertainments This Morning.

Entertainments were held in all the kindergarten schools this morning. At the Dutton street school there was a Christmas tree and all the little folks were given presents and Christmas boxes. They sang songs and recited pieces and afforded no end of entertainment for the parents present. Miss Cronin, the principal, Miss Lennon, the assistant and Miss Andrews, the pupil-teacher, directed the entertainment.

Pool Challenge.

John Verdon and Joe Ballou are ready to accept a challenge at $25 a side playing 100 points on Dutton street and 100 points on Middlesex street over the beanery.

Dennis Murphy, Arthur Hassett and John Graham, of Holy Cross college, are at home for the holidays.

A YOUNG OFFICER

Thomas H. Muldoon Chosen as Chief Ranger.

BY THE LARGEST COURT IN AMERICA.

A Sketch of His Career in Business.

Court Merrimack, F. of A., held its semi-annual meeting in Foresters' hall last night and elected officers as follows: C. R., Thomas Muldoon; S. C. R., William E. Dwyer; F. S., William H. Stafford; R. S., Thomas F. Brennan; treasurer, John McFadden; S. W., Thomas Leeson; J. W., Owen O'Neill; S. B., John J. Kelly; physician, Dr. Maurice Landers.

Chief Ranger Thomas H. Muldoon was born in this city Aug. 6, 1872. He graduated from the Green school and spent a short time in the High school, circumstances compelling him to give up his studies and assist in the support of his family, having been left fatherless

THOMAS H. MULDOON.

when but a year old. For some time he spent his leisure hours in study at home, acquiring a first-class education. Possessed of elocutionary ability he gave special attention to that branch of study, and as a result has received several prizes for public speaking.

Mr. Muldoon learned the printer's trade and is at present employed in the Courier-Citizen job department giving his evenings to the study of law hoping in time to be admitted to the bar.

He has the honor of being the youngest chief ranger in the state and will preside over the largest court of Foresters in America. He is prominent in Ward two politics and a popular member of the Knight's of Sherwood Forest and the Mathew Temperance institute. He resides with his mother and three sisters at 268 Suffolk street.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Music Hall.

What will probably prove to be the melodramatic event of the season will be the big spectacular production of "The Pulse of New York," at Music hall for three nights, commencing Thursday, Dec. 24. The stupendous pile-drive effect is still retained, but it is more thrilling than ever. New scenes have recently been added, including the funny satire on New York's newest, "The Raines' Law," also a magnificent reproduction of the famous Hoffman Cafe and the Herald Square, by electric light. The company, a large and strictly first class ensemble of artists, is headed by Stella Mayhew and and Chris Bruno, late of Yale's Devil Auction" company.

The Savoy.

The performance of Rosedale at the Savoy last evening was a great success, a decided improvement upon the preceding evening, and a magnificent hit for the entire company. In such a small theatre it is difficult to handle so much scenery but last night the changes were quickly executed and the play went off with a snap and vim that kept attention of the audience riveted upon the various characters as they unrolled the plot.

Mr. Weston, as Eliot Grey, was seen at his best and was vigorously applauded. Miss Edsall as lady Florence won favor with the audience and in her magnificent costumes looked charming while her acting was characterized by ease, grace and good judgment. Miss Lydia Knott, as Rosa Leigh, was at her best and gave a splendid conception of the role, her scenes with Mr. Weston being exceptionally good as Tabitha Stork.

Mrs. Dickson as usual displayed much dramatic talent throughout. She compels attention to her every act. Mr. Burress as Kobb was humorous and comical as usual while Miss Annable was an ideal maid. Olive Smith filled her role to perfection. She is a great child actress. Altogether the performance is highly creditable to the company and should be well patronized by the Lowell public. The efforts of the company to maintain a respectable theatre for the legitimate drama deserves well of Lowell people and when such a play as Rosedale is undertaken the house should be crowded at each performance.

POLICE COURT.

Hadley J.

Five drunks were fined.

The case of James Cleary for attempting to vote illegally was tried this morning, D. J. Donahue, Esq. appearing for Cleary. J. A. Ramsay and other precinct officers, testified that they saw Cleary in the act of voting a second time on the day of election.

Cleary claimed that he didn't know he had voted being under the influence of liquor. The court found him guilty and fined him $100.

New Licenses Granted.

At the meeting of the board of police last night licenses were granted as follows: Junk collectors, Halman Lipsitz, 71 Railroad street and Edward Derault, 11 John avenue; common victuallers, Ernest Blackburn, 127 Paige street and Eva I. Furbush, 123 Railroad street; Job wagon, Soroghan, 280 Fayette street.

Crushed His Sister's Skull.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—John Ryan, a peddler, murdered his sister, Catherine, last night, by smashing her skull with a baseball bat. After killing her he turned over the stove and set the house on fire. The police believe that Ryan is insane.

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Pupils Entertain Rev. Fr. O'Brien With a Delightful Program.

The pupils of Notre Dame academy entertained Rev. Michael O'Brien, their beloved rector, with an elaborate presentation of the play "Tyburne," a story of the Elizabethan age, in the academy lecture hall, yesterday afternoon.

All the characters were assumed and admirably interpreted by the young ladies of the academy.

The parts were taken by Misses McLaughlin, Duane, Crowley, H. F. Murphy, Bessie Murphy, Hartnett, Mahoney, Downing, Lauen, Shea, McKean, R. Burke, Farrell, Hole, Cahill, Herrick, Crouse, M. Burke, McCarthy and Holmes. Between the acts there were musical numbers, including a piano duet by Misses Murphy and Lyons; a song by Misses O'Donnell and Vincent; Annie Laurie, on the violin by Miss A. Lyons and on the piano by Miss M. Lyons; Distant Chimes, by Misses McCarthy, Courtney and Crousse; Come Back to Erin, by Miss M. Burke; Breathe Thou One Sigh, by Misses M. Lyons, Crousse and Herrick; and a banjo and piano duet by Misses Herrick and Duane.

An address to the pastor was read, to which Rev. Fr. O'Brien responded, alluding to the entertainment in terms of highest praise and wishing all a pleasant Christmas vacation. There were present also Revs. Frs. O'Brien and Scannell of St. Michael's. At the conclusion of the entertainment all received the pastor's blessing.

Yesterday morning the pupils of St. Patrick's Girls' school entertained Rev. Fr. O'Brien.

BOYS WERE DROWNED.

The Cap of One of Them Found Near a Hole in the Ice.

Lawrence, Dec. 23.—There is now no doubt that the two boys, Stiles and Weeks, have been drowned in the Merrimack. The parents and others followed the marks of their skates on the ice until they came to a hole. There the cap of one boy was found.

Divisions 11 A. O. H. Elect Officers.

Division 11 A. O. H. last night elected the following officers: Michael J. Horan, president, Michael Gardner, vice-president; Thomas F. Spelman, recording secretary; John J. O'Brien, financial secretary; James O'Brien, treasurer; L. J. McDonough, physician. There was a number of new members admitted and several propositions for membership. Dr. McAdams, John J. Crowley, and M. J. Gardner, literary committee. The division is in a prosperous condition.

The milkmen of Chelmsford Centre held their annual ball at the town hall last evening and a delightful time was enjoyed.

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LOST—Saturday, a. m., Dec. 12, a sum of money inclosed in a leather case, name of owner on inside of cover. Please return to Middlesex Steam laundry, 140 Middlesex street and be rewarded.

WANTED—Good man to take agency for Dirigo cream in Lowell and vicinity. Address, Dirigo Creamery Co., Beverly, Mass.

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TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny rooms newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

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FOR SALE—Near Chelmsford street. Good cottage house, near mills. Price, $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—A position as stenographer and typewriter; experienced; mercantile or legal work; can give good recommendation; also good references. Address R, sun office, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—In Centralville, 7 room cottage house, in good repair, 3 minutes walk to mills. This is a bargain. Price, $1800. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a two-tenement house near new bridge. This is an excellent chance to buy a home and on easy terms. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

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WANTED—500 young and old men, to bring their old clothes to Fred P. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

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New Bridge will be completed in a few days. The electric road is being laid across the bridge. Sewers, gas, city water, etc. 76 houses have been built in the last 8 months, and a large number are being built at the present time. Don't delay, choice lots are going quick, prices are low, only 10, 12 and 15c. per foot, easy monthly payments. Call for plans, terms etc. On the land every afternoon.

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He Burn Wilson's Coal.

Harry Murray Slated.

It is stated that Harry Murray, former money clerk in the post office and now engaged in the insurance business, will be appointed first assistant to the new purchasing agent.

Varnum School Exercises.

The pupils at the Varnum school had Christmas exercises this afternoon. There is no hall in the school and so each room had its own program. In several of the rooms there were Christmas trees.

Y. M. C. A. Concert.

A grand concert and recital will be given at the Y. M. C. A. hall tomorrow evening, when an elaborate program of music and readings will be given. There is a large demand for tickets.

THE RIPLEY SUICIDE.

The Victim Was Favorably Known Around Lowell.

Those who were acquainted with Willard L. Ripley, the Nashua man who suicided in the Gallagher house, were surprised to hear that he had ended his life by his own hand, and believe that if he took poison he did it by mistake, intending to take a sleeping potion.

Those who knew him at the Franklin house state that he was always happy and light hearted and never without money.

He lived at 29 Bridge street before going to the hotel to live. He was a veteran of the late war.

Dolls and Toys.

We have got an elegant assortment of these necessary holiday goods at very low prices. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 68 Merrimack street.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

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CRISP GOSSIP.

Ex-mayor Peabody, who celebrated his 88th birthday anniversary Monday, cast his first presidential vote for Jackson. He has been voting for mayors of Lowell ever since the city was incorporated.

One cannot help laughing when he sees Col. Chadwick riding on the first platform of an electric car, and Herb. Webster on the rear platform of the same car.

What would you think of a cat for a Christmas present? One arrived here from Vermont last night and it was billed to a prominent Lowell family.

James Gallagher, the well known Forester, who has been ill for several months past, and has one operation performed on him, underwent another operation performed on him a few days ago at an hospital in Norfolk, Va., and is now reported on the road to recovery.

Christmas shoppers crowd the stores these days, but merchants say that while the purchases are as numerous, they are not so expensive as last year.

It is advisable, when the roads are covered with snow, as at present, for a driver to give other vehicles as much room as possible. Yesterday I saw several carriages collide because of the slippery roadway.

One of the pecular sights noticed on Central street, last evening, was that of a man wearing ear-laps riding a bicycle. He was probably on his way to the river to have a ride on the ice.

A large crowd enjoyed skating on the river at the inlet just above the Aiken street bridge. One would hardly think that the ice was thick enough there as yet, but it appears to be all right.

Of the 32 Massachusetts mayors just elected, eight are lawyers, six are engaged in mercantile pursuits, three are engaged in mechanical trades, two are bakers, two are manufacturers, two are builders two are in the real estate business, and seven are classed as follows: A physician, an editor, a newspaper correspondent, a banker, a broker, a civil engineer and an undertaker.

Negro Lynched.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 23.—Joe James, colored, was lynched at Woodstock yesterday. He attempted to assault Fannie Smith, aged 17, while she was on her way to school. The negro was pursued 10 miles and brought back and identified by the girl. He confessed, and said he wanted to steal the girl's lunch.

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TAKEN TO WORCESTER.

The Sanborn Insane Men Taken to the Asylum Yesterday.

The remarkable case of the Sanborn brothers of East Billerica, who went violently insane at their homes on Sunday night, is still unexplained and is without parellel in local history. The brothers always prided themselves upon their manner of living. Neither has drunk intoxicating liquors nor used tobacco in any form, while they always spent their evenings at home engaged in the pursuit of knowledge.

Their father states that they were deep students and it is very probable that overstudy caused their mental derangement though their simultaneous actions are unaccountable. Mr. and Mrs. Sanborn, the estimable parents of the young men, have the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends.

When leaving the house yesterday the boys lost their pugnacious bearing and both burst into laughter acting as if in high glee. At the police station they maintained silence and made no trouble when taken to the Worcester asylum.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

Monthly Bills Were Approved Yesterday Afternoon.

The committee on commons met yesterday afternoon and approved bills. The superintendent of commons was authorized to employ any help necessary during the winter months.

The committee on sewers and lighting approved bills. So did the committee on fire department, but it could do nothing else, as a quorum was not present.

The committee on accounts of the school board approved bills yesterday. The salary list amounted to a little over $23,000.

The committee on streets met yesterday afternoon and in the absence of the aldermanic members, Councilman Hunton was chosen chairman pro tem. Bills were then approved.

WITNESSES AFRAID

Of the Mafia in a Case at Springfield, Mass., Yesterday.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 23. — The witnesses in the case of Vincenzo Cavellero, charged with the murder of Francisco Virgiola, have, with one exception, disappeared, owing to the fear of the Mafia. The case came before the jury yesterday, when the commonwealth discovered that all the witnesses, save Mrs. O'Brien, who has no fear of the Mafia, had left town. They were not under bonds. An attempt will be made to have the case continued to the May term of the grand jury.

PRODUCED THE FLESH

Unusual Testimony Offered in a Police Court Assault Case.

Many and varied are the articles brought into police court and offered as testimony in the trial of criminal cases. Wearing apparel of all kinds and descriptions is brought in frequently while now and then an injured woman holds up with righteous indignation to His Honor's inspection a handful of tresses torn from her head by some pugnacious neighbor of her own sex, while now and then, Supt. Sabine for instance, an injured man produced a few yards of beard ruthlessly plucked from its native chin by some lawless disturber.

But the strangest bit of testimony of all came out yesterday in the case of Patrick Smith for assault on his mother-in-law, Ann Fahey, a case which outdid the merchant of Venice. In the celebrated play the pound of flesh is bargained for but not paid over while in yesterday's case the woman assaulted alleged that her son-in-law had bitten her over the eye, and it is said, showed Judge Hadley a small piece of torn skin with a portion of the eye brow protruding from it which Smith separated from her face in the fight.

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Home indorsement is the proof that backs every box of Doan's Kidney Pills.
Read this case:
Mr. John W. Mavis of 448 Riverside street, is an old gentleman 73 years of age, whose good health was remarkable up to three years ago when kidney troubles began. He says: "My back hurt me terribly, and in moving about after sitting awhile, it was excruciating. Urinary difficulty followed—at first frequent desire to urinate was very troublesome, and afterward the urine was scant, with pain in voiding. I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Ellingwood & Co.'s, Merrimack and Central street, and they helped me from the start and today I am free from pain and all urinary disorder is corrected. You can use my name as one who can vouch for the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills."
Price, 50 cents per box; for sale by all dealers or mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.
Remember the name, Doan's, and take no other.

Wednesday-Thursday to be Two Day's Markdown.

$5000 Worth of
HANDKERCHIEFS
Almost Given Away.

20 dozen Handkerchiefs, Fancy Border, 2c.
100 dozen Handkerchiefs, Special, 5c.
200 Ladies' Swiss Handkerchiefs, Scalloped Edges and Elegantly Embroidered, 10 and 12c., were 25c.
50c. Handkerchiefs, special, 25c.

JEWELRY
Purchased by us for Spot Cash from a heavily overstocked manufacturer to be sold at 40 cents on the dollar. All kinds. All prices.

TOILET SETS CUT IN HALVES
Brush, Comb and Mirrors, handsomely carved, 47 cents.
Brush, Comb and Mirrors, in colors and white, were $3, special $1.47.
Fifty other styles reduced at same ratio. All goods sacrificed in the same way. Don't miss them. Come early. Fancy Arm Elastics, Atomizers, Perfumes, Umbrellas, Tags, Sterling Silver, Holiday Umbrellas, all put in at the great mark down.

Ladies' Kid Gloves
SPECIAL—Our $1.75 Gloves in Fancy Backs, Finest Quality Kid, in with the rest of the markdown $1.39. 1200 Aprons at 25c. to close. Find them on our second floor. MILLINERY has tumbled with the rest of the goods. One-half the Prices. Best values in the city the last two days before Christmas.

Niblock's
Are Taking This Loss at
133 to 137 Merrimack Street.

THE O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE COMPANY

WIND UP OF CHRISTMAS BUSINESS

TWO DAY'S SELLING AT HALF PRICE

Wednesday and Thursday Preceding Christmas

☞ Radical reduction on prices of Staple Merchandise which appeals closely to the bargain sense of every Holiday and every day purchaser ☞ within a radius of 20 miles of our store. Half price the rule throughout the entire house for Wednesday and Thursday. Some of the things you can find at half price in the various departments of our Mammoth House, suitable for Christmas Gifts. On Gents' Furnishing Counter, enter Palmer street door, Fine Neckwear, Fur Gloves, Fancy Suspenders, Fancy Armlets, Dress Shirts, Collars and Cuffs, Kid Gloves, Night Shirts, Men's and Boys' Sweaters, Gent's Smoking Jackets, all at **Half Price,** Wednesday and Thursday. On counter directly opposite **Gents' Furnishing Goods,** you will find Ladies' Kid Gloves, in elegant variety, Ladies' Fur Gloves, Ladies' Silk and Woolen Mittens, Misses' Gloves and Mittens of every description. An endless variety of Veilings, Leather Goods, including Pocket Books, Card Cases, Boston Bags, Traveling Grips, and **Everything at Half Price for Two Days.**

Two special noteworthy bargains these two days in

Leather Goods.

LOT 1. Extra quality Boston Bags, sizes 10 and 11, made from good wash fabrics, assorted mixtures, leather bottoms and leatherette lining, enameled frame,

47 Cents

LOT 2. Superior quality Boston Bags, made from best Scotch Wool sides, extra wide bottoms, calf lining, with pocket, sizes 10 and 11, your choice,

98 Cents

We are showing an elegant assortment of high class goods in seal, alligator and grain leather, in trimmed and untrimmed Bags from

$1.50 to $3.75

Our line of combination pocketbooks cannot be surpassed, anywhere. It comprises all grades of fancy leathers in the newest colors, also real seal, alligator, lizard and Russian grain, books suitable for Xmas gifts, from

50c. to $2.75

On a counter adjoining, you, will find our

Jewelry Department.

Wherein is displayed Ladies' and Children's Rings, Stick Pins, Manicure Sets, Brooches, Hat Pins, Sterling Silver Bag Tags, Ladies' and Gents' Shirt Front Sets and Cuff Sets, in Sterling Silver, rolled and Solid Gold Sterling Silver Chain Bracelets, Sterling Silver Pin and Pencil Holders, Sterling Silver Veil Pins, Sterling Silver Souvenir Spoons, Sterling Silver Garter Buckles, Sterling Silver Hair Ornaments.
For two days, all at

Half Price

In the centre of our store are counters filled with

Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas,

In every grade of silk and serge, and every conceivable kind of handle.

A beautiful assortment of Ladies' Petticoats, in silk, moreen, sateen, flannel and felt knit, goods of every kind, including fascinators, skirts, sacques and capes.

Our Art Department.

Displays articles to beautify and ornament every room in the house, and you can buy them for two days at

Half Price

Our Basement Dept.

Is the gift hunter's paradise. Beautiful dinner ware, exquisite tea sets, elegant toilet ware, chocolate sets, ice cream sets, fish and salad sets, every kind of fancy china pretty lamps, silver ware, glass ware, elegant vases, and a beautiful variety of bric-a-brac, for two days all at

Half Price

In the Basement Annex

You will find dolls, toys, games, music boxes, plush and celluloid goods, fancy frames and pictures, bisque figures, etc., and in this particular part of the house

33 Cents

Will do the work of $1.00 these coming two days.

In the Cloak Dept.

You will find fur coats and collarettes, shawls of every kind, muffs, aprons, books, pictures, easels, infants' wear, wrappers and cotton underwear, for two days, all at

Half Price

In the Centre Aisle

Opposite Merrimack street entrance, you will find the most complete Handkerchief Dept. in Lowell, also a perfumery and Small Ware Department, where everything will be offered for two days at

Half Price

In the Furniture Department

You will find chairs, tables, desks, book cases, cabinets, tabourettes, couches, Rattan Furniture, Tete-a Tete Sets and various other articles, for two days, at

Half Price

At 10.30 O'clock, Thnrsday Night, Our Store Will Close and Not Open Until Saturday Morning at 8

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